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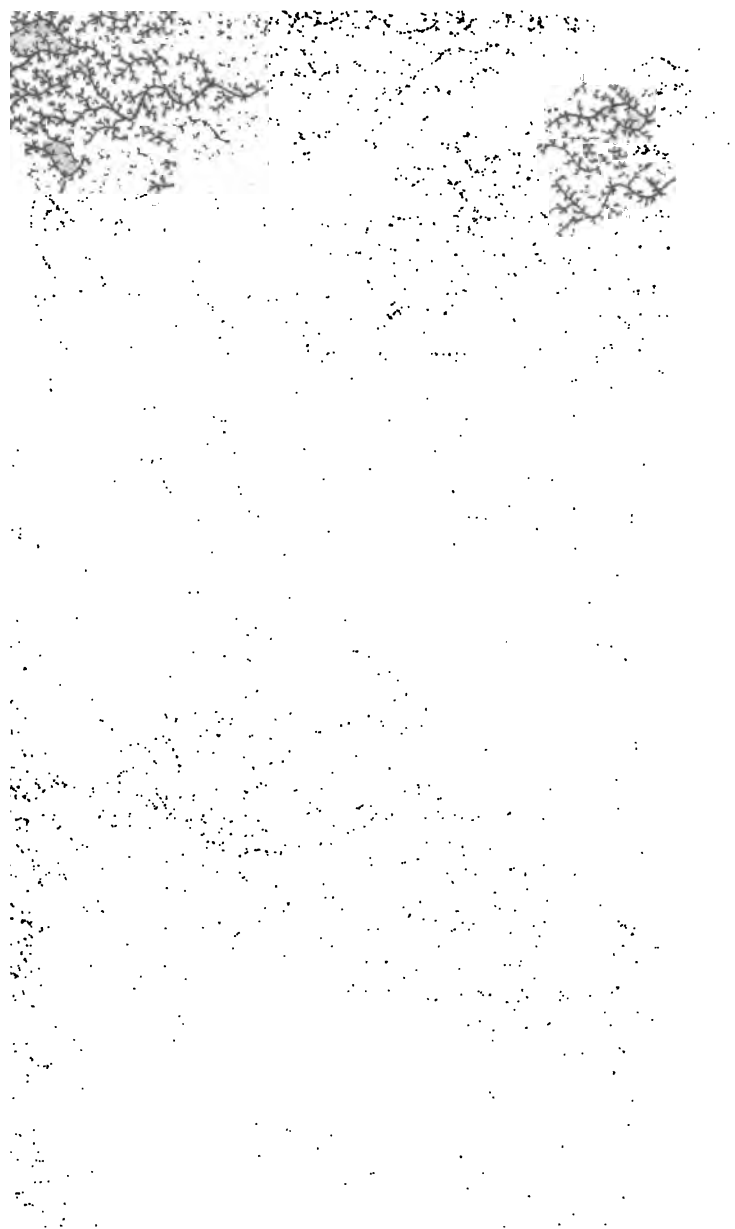
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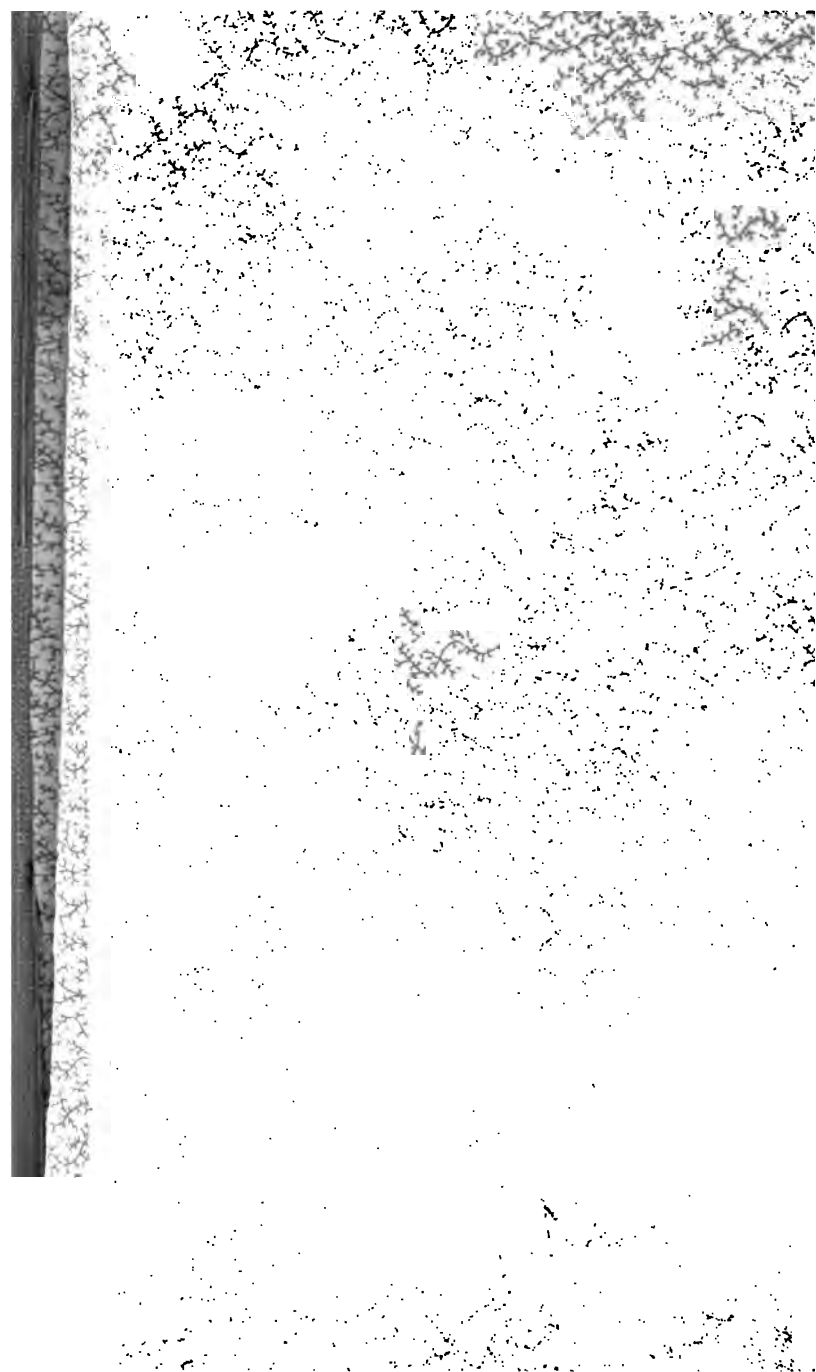
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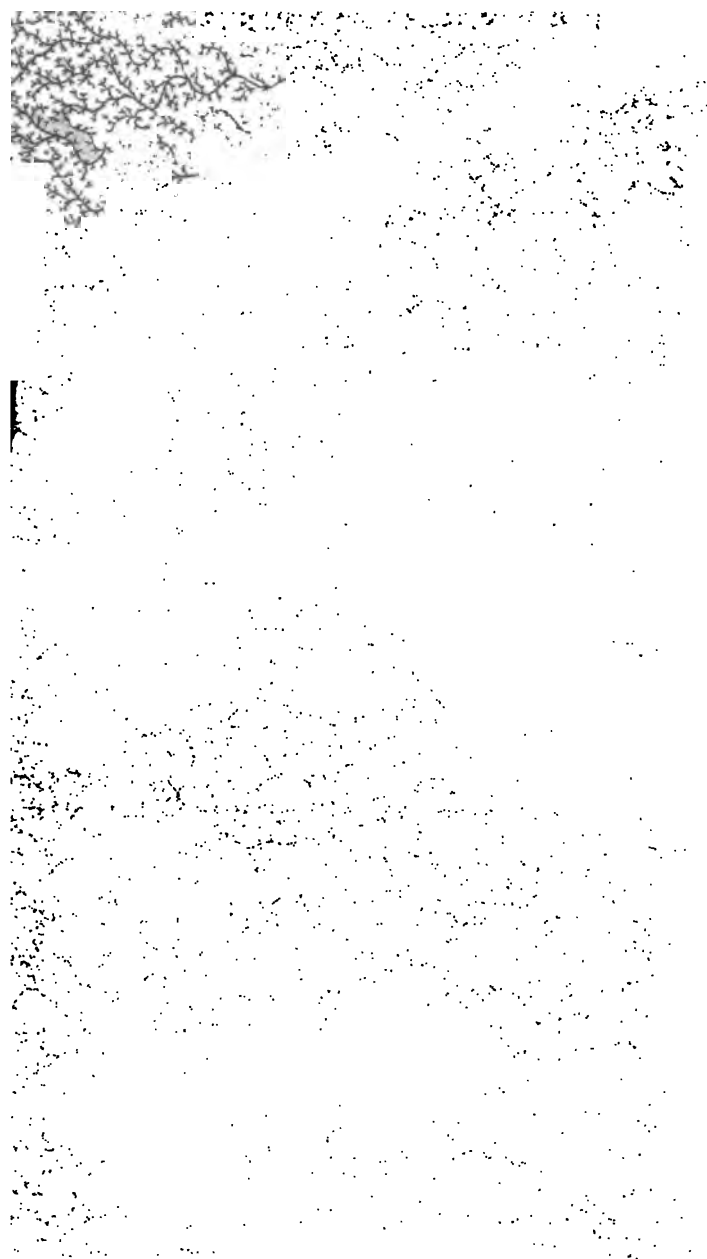
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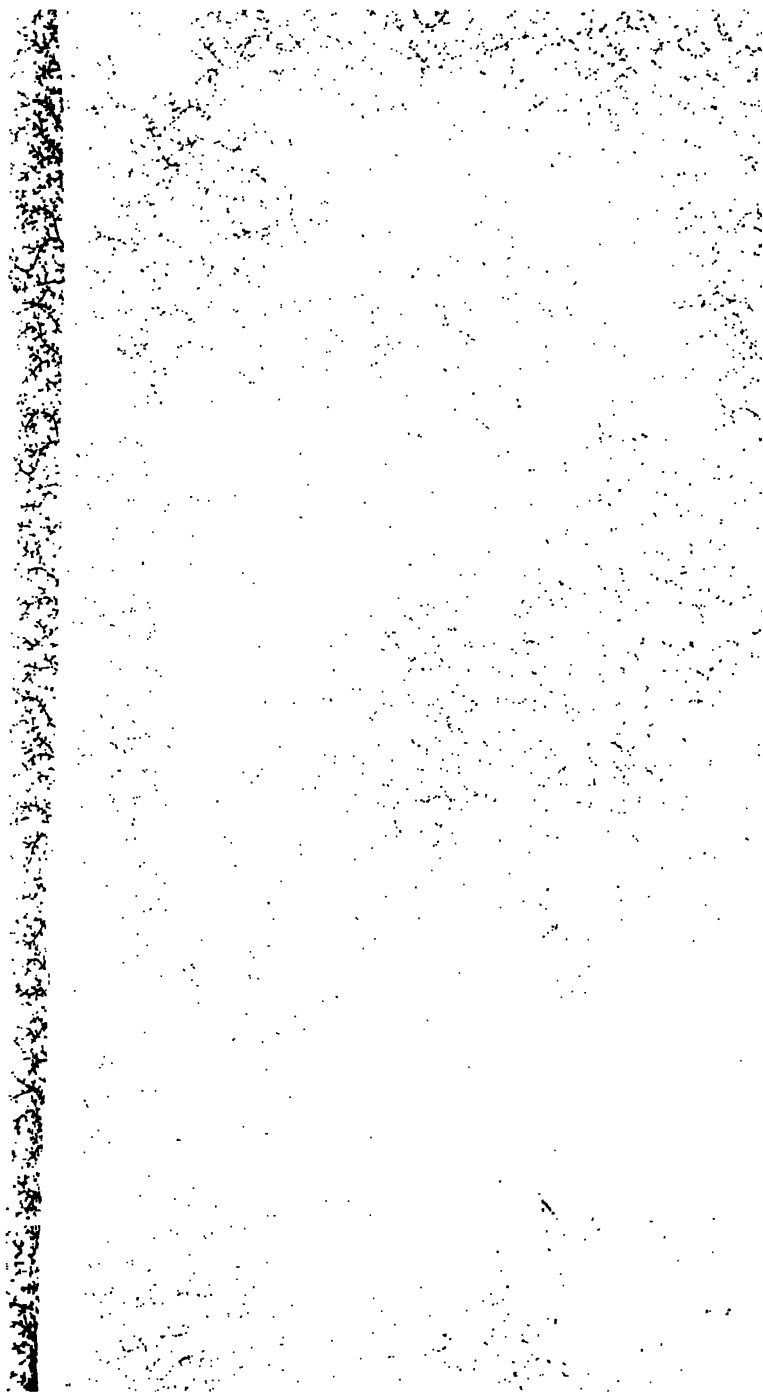


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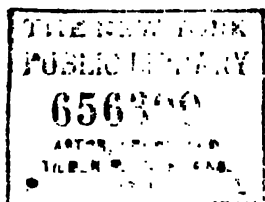
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THE PREFACE.

IN the Course of my Studies on this Branch of the Mathematics, I observ'd much Obscurity, Irregularity and Deficiency in the Writings of most Authors on this Subject. I have therefore in the following Treatise endeavour'd to redress this Grievance, and to render this Science more plain, easy, and comprehensive; to which End I have laid down a large Number of Definitions, Theorems, and Problems, which are absolutely necessary to be learned. The Definitions inform us of the Nature, Names, and Differences of the several Lines and Figures used therein; and also other Terms of the Art. The Theorems contain all the Mystery of the Science, on a Demonstration and due understanding of which depends the Rationale of Trigonometry; that is, the Reason of all the various Operations of the Art; Thirty-one of the best Theorems I have collated for this Purpose, which serve more immediately for understanding the Reason of the Methods for making the Canon of Natural Sines, Tangents, and Secants.

The Theorems ought to be well studied. In demonstrating them I have taken a new Method, after the Manner of Mr. Le Clerc, in his Practical Geometry, which I think is the most clear, perspicuous and easy of all others. The Problems are adapted to the Capacity of all, enabling them to make a Geometrical Construc-

tion of any Process or Operation in Trigonometry; in which the Learner ought to be very perfect. In the next Place follow the several Methods of constructing a Canon of Natural Sines, Tangents and Secants, invented by the Learned, and here illustrated and exemplified in Numbers. This Matter however neglected in Books of Trigonometry, is of the last Importance to finish an Artist in this Part of Learning. Having learn'd this, the Reason of the Logarithmetical Canon is easy, as will appear in due Place. After having thus laid the Foundation Principles, I proceed to the Method of solving all the Six Cases of a Right-angled Triangle, in all the three Varieties, and that by ten several Methods; some by Natural Numbers, some by Artificial Numbers, and others by Instruments.

I have shewn how the Method by Logarithms depends on those by Natural Numbers; and how the Method by Instruments depends on both; I let the young Learner at once into the Mystery, or Theory and Practice of each Method, and have taken care to teach him nothing, for the which he may not be able to render a Reason. Therefore I have contriv'd a new Method to convince him of the Rationale of every Analogy, by Logarithms; or why we say Sine, or Tangent, or Secant; and why the Parts of Analogy are placed as they are, and the Reason of the large Indices to those Sort of Numbers; and have endeavour'd to make the whole clear and intelligible to the Learner by new Schemes for that Purpose.

I have also describ'd the Nature and Use of the several Lines on the Instruments; as the Sector, Plain Scale, Sliding-Rule, &c. as I have gone along; and have illustrated their Uses in the Doctrine of Triangles. You have also an Ample Collection of Anomalous Cases of a Right Triangle, with their Solution by Algebraic Theorems.

Then

Then follows the Method of solving all the Cases of Oblique Triangles, by the foresaid new Method, and Schemes; shewing the Rationale of every Process.

And in the last Place you have a Variety of Theorems, new and curious, for finding the Area of any Plain Triangle, by having given any of the Sides, or Sides and Angles together.

In the second Part of this Work, I have applied the Doctrine of Plain Trigonometry to the ten Mathematical Arts and Sciences mention'd in the Title-Page. In each of which I have given a General Account of the Art, its Principles and Maxims, the Nature and Properties of its several Parts, and the Use of Trigonometry in the whole: By which means the Reader will meet with a Kind of Epitome of the Mathematics, so far as it depends on Plain Trigonometry: Here are inserted a great Number of very rare and curious Propositions in Cosmography, Geography, Astronomy, Gunnery, Mechanics, Surveying, Optics and Perspective, which are not to be found in any one Author (that I know of) on this Subject, and yet such as properly appertain thereunto, the Reader may see the Particulars in the Table of Contents. One Thing I would acquaint the Reader with, that I have been concise, yet I think sufficiently prolix, in those Parts which are in every Book that treats of this Art, viz. Navigation, Altimetry, Fortification, and in some other Parts have perform'd the Operations by the Instrumental Methods, as by the Gunter, the Sector, &c. and therefore in such Cases, the Reader is not to expect such Mathematical Exactness as by Logarithms, because the Matter does not require it. Upon the whole, I have omitted nothing that I could think of which might render this Work a compleat Guide to the young Trigonometer; and I hope in the Use it will be found to be such.

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As for what belongs to Spherical Trigonometry and its Application, that is contained in the second Volume.

To conclude, having given a general Account of this Piece, its Occasion, Subject and Method; I can not but expect the candid Readers will excuse small Faults that may have escaped my Notice; and wish them all the Profit in the perusal of it, which was intended in its Composition by him, who will never think much of any Pains whereby any Benefit may accrue to any of his Fellow Creatures.

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AS the Use of too many Characters or Abbreviations, does very much obscure the Work, and perplex young Beginners; and without any at all, it would be prolix and verbose, and both the Book and the Price must be thereby necessarily (tho' unreasonably) increased; I have therefore made use of a few Characters, and those so plain and easy, and withal so common in all Mathematical Books, that not for Brevity's sake only, but for the sake of reading and understanding any other Mathematical Treatise; the young Learner is obliged to be well acquainted with their Forms and Significations, which are as follows.

<i>Characters.</i>		<i>Significations.</i>
+	} Significeth	More; in Addition.
—		Less; in Subtraction.
x		Multiplied into; in Multiplication.
÷		Divided by; in Division.
=		Equal to.
√		The Root of; as $^2\sqrt{}$, is the Square Root, &c.
q		Squared; as Aq , is A squared.
::		Is to; in Proportion.
::		So is; in Proportion.
s		Sine; as sB , is the Sine of B.
t	}	Tangent;
sc		Secant.

If there be any more, which I do not think of, the Reader will find them explained in their Places, in the Body of the Work.

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Of Geometrical Definitions.

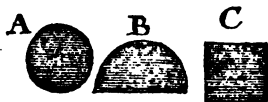
I. **A** *Point*, Geometrically consider'd, is the least assignable Part of Space, and absolutely indivisible; and is denoted by a Tittle; as at A.

A.

II. A *Line*, either strait or crooked, is a Length without Breadth or Thickness; and is generated by the Motion of a Point; as AB, CD.



III. A *Superficies* or *Surface*, is Length and Breadth without Thickness, and terminated by one or more Lines; as A, B, C.



IV. An *Angle* is the Inclination or Meeting of two Lines in one Point; or the Space included between them; as the Angle A, B, C.

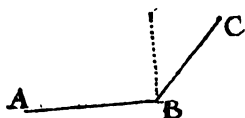


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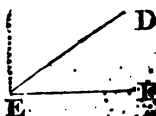
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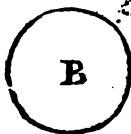
V. A *Right-Angle* is included between two Lines perpendicular to each other; as the Right Angle A, or B.



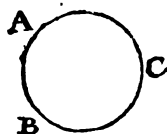
VI. An *Obtuse Angle* is greater than a Right Angle; as the Angle A B C.



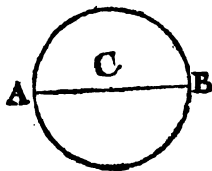
VII. An *Acute Angle* is less than a Right Angle; as the Angle D E F.



VIII. A *Circle* is a plain superficies, whose Area is limited by perfect Round Line; as the Figure B.



IX. The *Periphery* or *Circumference* of a Circle is the Round Line that bounds it; A, B, C.

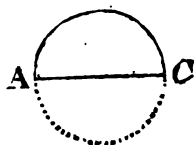


X. The *Center* of a Circle is the Point C, every way equally distant from the Periphery.

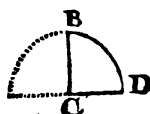
XI. The *Diameter* of a Circle is a Line passing through the Center, and ending at the Periphery on each Side; as the Line A B.

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XII. A *Semicircle* (*i. e.* half a Circle) is a Figure contained between the Diameter and half the Periphery of a Circle; as ABC.



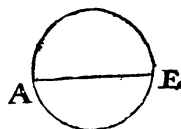
XIII. A *Quadrant* is one Quarter of a Circle, or half the Semicircle; as the Figure BCD.



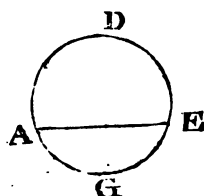
XIV. The *Sector* of a Circle is a Figure included between two Semidiameters and an Arch of the Periphery; as ACD.



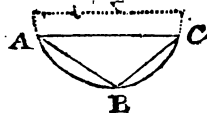
XV. A *Chord Line*, or *Subtense* of an Arch is any Right Line dividing the Circle into two unequal Parts, and is less than the Diameter; as AE.

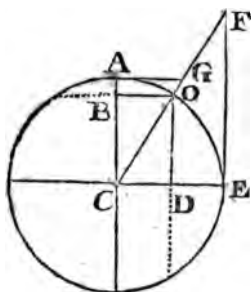


XVI. A *Segment* of a Circle is the Figure included between the Chord Line and Arch of the Circle, and is greater or less than a Semicircle; as the Figure ADE, or AGE.



XVII. An *Angle* in the Segment of a Circle is that which toucheth the Periphery, and is subtended by a Chord Line; as either of the three Angles A, B, or C.





XVIII. The *Radius* of a Circle, or Semidiameter, is half the Diameter; as AC, or CE.

XIX. The *Measure* of an Angle, as the Angle OCE, is the Arch of the Circle OE.

XX. The *Sine* of that Angle, is the Line OD.

XXI. The *Tangent* thereof, is the Line EF.

XXII. The *Secant* thereof, is the Line CF.

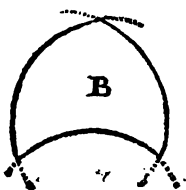
XXIII. The *Versed Sine* thereof, is the Line DE.

XXIV. The *Co-Sine*, *Co-Tangent*, and *Co-Secant*, are the Sine, Tangent, and Secant of the Complement of that Arch to a Quadrant, viz. of the Arch AO; as BO, AG, and CG.

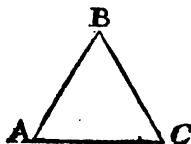
XXV. A *Triangle* is a Figure bounded by, or included between three Lines, and having three Angles.



XXVI. A *Plain Triangle* is terminated by three strait or Right Lines; as the Figure A.



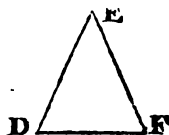
XXVII. A *Spherical Triangle* is that whose Sides are Parts or Arches of three Great Circles of the Sphere or Globe; and are each less than a Semicircle; as the Figure B.



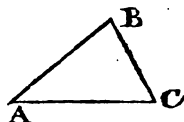
XXVIII. An *Equilateral Triangle* hath all its three Sides; as the Figure ABC, for $AB=BC=AC$.

XXIX.

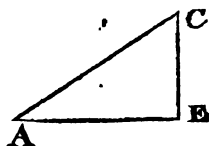
XXIX. An *Ifoceles* Triangle hath only two Sides equal; as the Figure DEF. That is, $DE = EF$, (DF being greater or less.)



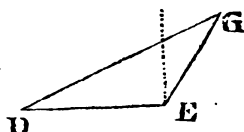
XXX. A *Scalenous* Triangle is that which hath all its three Sides unequal; as ABC.



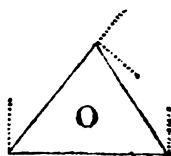
XXXI. A *Right-angled* Triangle is that which hath one Right Angle; as AEC, Right-angled at E.



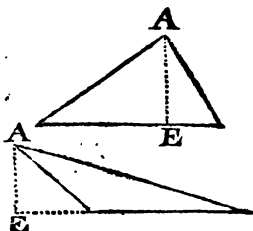
XXXII. An *Obtuse-angled* Triangle is that which hath one Angle Obtuse, (this is also call'd an *Amblygon*.) As DEG.



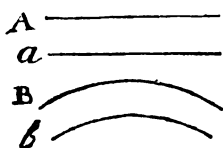
XXXIII. An *Acute-angled* Triangle is that which hath its Angles acute, (this is also call'd an *Oxygon*.) As the Figure O.



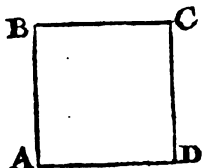
XXXIV. The *Height* or *Altitude* of any Plain Triangle is the Length of a Perpendicular let fall from any one Angle the opposite Side; and this Perpendicular may fall within or without the Triangle; as AE.



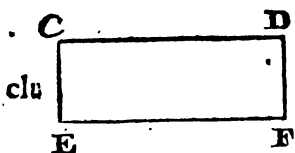
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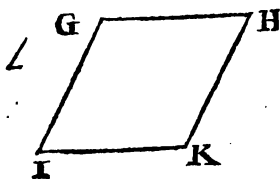
XXXV. *Parallel Lines*, whether strait or curved, are such as are equally distant in all their Parts, though infinitely extended; as Aa , or Bb .



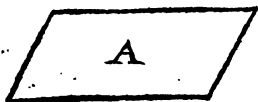
XXXVI. A *Square* is a plain regular Figure contained within four equal and parallel Lines or Sides, perpendicular to each other; and thereby making four Right Angles; as the Figure $ABCD$.



XXXVII. A *Rectangle* or *Parallelogram* (call'd also an *Oblong* or *Long Square*;) is a Figure that hath four Right Angles, and its two opposite Sides equal and parallel; as $CDEF$.

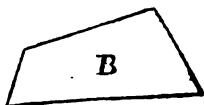


XXXVIII. A *Rhombus* is a Figure that hath four equal Sides; but two opposite Angles acute, the other two obtuse; as the Figure $GHIK$.



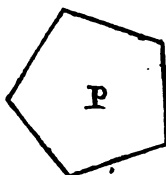
XXXIX. A *Rhomboides*, or *Oblique-angled Parallelogram*, a Figure whose two opposite Sides are equal and parallel, but its Angles the same as in the *Rhombus*, as the Figure annexed A .

XL. A *Trapezium* is a Figure of four Sides; but all its Sides and Angles are unequal; as the Figure B.

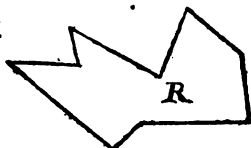


XLI. A *Polygon* is any Figure that hath more than four Sides; and is call'd,

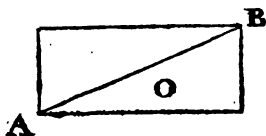
XLII. A *Regular Polygon* when all its Sides and Angles are equal; of which there are several Sorts, as the Pentagon P, &c.



XLIII. But an *Irregular Polygon* hath all its Sides and Angles unequal; as the irregular Figure R.



XLIV. A *Diagonal* is a Right Line drawn from the opposite Corners of a Figure; A B, in the Figure O.



CHAP. II.

Axioms; Postulata or Demands;
some Geometrical Terms explain'd.

Axiom I.

Equal Quantities be added to Equal Quantities,
the Sum of those Quantities will be Equal.

Thus,

Thus, if to the Equal Quantities $8 = 8$;
 You add the Equal Quantities — $6 = 6$;

Their Sums will be Equal — $14 = 14$.

Axiom II.

If Equal Quantities be deducted from Equal Quantities, the Remaining Quantities are Equal.

Axiom III.

If Equal Quantities be multiplied by Equal Quantities, their Products will be Equal.

Axiom IV.

If Equal Quantities be divided by Equal Quantities, their Quotients will be Equal.

Axiom V.

Those Things which are Equal to one and the same Thing, are Equal to one another.

Axiom VI.

Those Things which are Double, Triple, &c. of the same or Equal Things, are Equal among themselves.

Axiom VII.

The Whole of any Thing is Greater than any Part thereof.

Axiom

Axiom VIII.

Every whole Thing is Equal to all its Parts taken together.

Axiom IX.

Those Things which being laid one upon another, do agree, or meet in all their Parts, are Equal to one another.

Note, The Converse hereof is true in Lines and Angles universally; but in Similar Figures only.

Postulata, or Demands.

I. It must be granted, That a Right Line may be drawn from one Given Point to another.

II. That a Right Line may be Produced, or made Longer from both Ends.

III. That upon any Given Point, or Center, and with any Given Distance, or Radius, a Circle may be described.

Geometrical Terms.

A *Proposition* is whatsoever is offered or proposed to be Done, or Demonstrated, in Geometry.

A *Problem* is that which proposeth something to be Done or Perform'd by the Rules of Art.

A *Theorem* is that which proposeth something to be Demonstrated, or made appear to be really true.

A *Demonstration* is an absolute, infallible and evident Proof of a Proposition, which proceeds from a Chain of Reasoning or Argumentation, drawn from such Plain Axioms and Self-evident Truths as cannot be denied with Reason.

A *Corollary* is some notable Truth following from, or gained by any foregoing Demonstration.

A *Confectary* is the same as a Corollary.

A *Lemma* is a Demonstration of something promised, in order to expedite and facilitate the Demonstration of the Theorem depending.

A *Scho'ium* is a learned or useful Remark or Commentary on some precedent Discourse.

As the foregoing Definitions and Axioms will be frequently mention'd and refer'd to in the two next Chapters of Theorems and Problems, 'twill be very necessary, that the Learner should have them truly and firmly imprinted in his Memory before he goes farther; for unless he perceives the Reason of Things, the Practice will be but Confusion and Mystery to him. And as the Theory naturally preceeds the Practice; I shall next demonstrate a Collection of the useful and necessary Theorems, after a new and easy Manner.

Chapter III.

Geometrical Theorems.

Theorem I.

ONE straight Line AC standing on another straight Line BD, makes either two Right Angles, or two Equal to two Right ones.

Demon-

Demonstration.

If the Line AC

Be Perpendicular to BD

Then the Angle $BCA = ACD$

And each a Right one by *def. 5.*

If not; draw the Perpend. EC

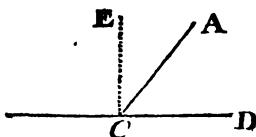
Then will the two Angles $ECA + ACD$

Be equal to one Right Angle by *def. 5.*

But the Angle BCE

is a Right one; Therefore $BCA + ACD$

are equal to two Right Angles. *Q. E. D.*



Corollary. Hence if several straight Lines meet or stand together at one Point, and on the same Side of a Right Line, all the Angles taken together will be equal to two Right Angles.

Theorem II.

If a Right Line cut or cross, another Right Line, 'twill make the opposite Angles equal one to another.

Demonstration.

The Angles $A + B$,

Are equal to two Right Angles *Theo. I.*

So also are the Angles $B + C$;

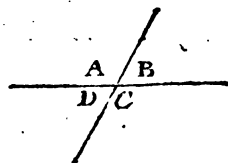
Then are the Angles $A + B = B + C$

Subtract, on both Sides the Angle B ,

There will remain (by Axiom 2.) $A = C$

After the same manner 'tis proved $B = D$

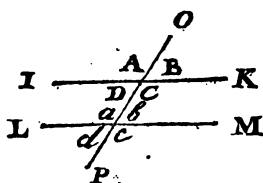
Therefore the opposite Angles are equal. *Q. E. D.*



Theorem III.

If a Right Line cross two Parallel Lines, 'twill make the alternate and opposite Angles equal.

Dimonstration.



The Line ——— I K
Being parallel to the Line }
L M, ——— }
The Inclination of ——— O P
Must be equal to both }
I K and L M ——— }
Consequently the Angle }
~~B = b~~ ——— }

But (by Theor. II) the Angle ——— B = D

Then (by Axiom 5.) the Alternate }
Angles are equal ——— viz. } D = b

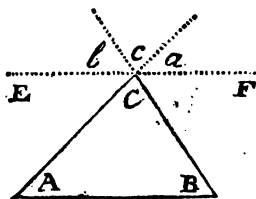
Therefore also ——— C = a

Consequently all the opposite and }
alternate Angles are equal ——— } Q. E. D.

Theorem IV.

The Three Angles of every Plain Triangle, are together equal to two Right Angles,

Demonstration.



Since the Line ——— E F
Is parallel to the Base ——— A B

Then (by Theor. III) the }
Angle ——— A = a }

And the Angle ——— B = b

Also (by Theor. II.) the }
Angle ——— C = c }

That is, the Angles ——— A + B + C = a + b + c
But

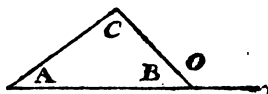
But (by Theor. I.) the Angles $a + b + c$
 Are = two Right ones. Therefore the three Angles }
 of the Triangle $A + B + C$ }
 Are (by Axiom 5) equal to two Right Angles *Q.E.D.*

Theorem V.

If one Side of any plain Triangle be produced beyond the Triangle, The outward Angle will always be equal to the two inward and opposite Angles.

Demonstration.

By Theor. IV. The Three }
 Angles of the Triangle }
 $A + B + C$ }



Are equal to two Right Angles.

Also (by Theor. I.) the Angles $B + O$
 are equal to the two Right Angles.

Subtract the common Angle B

There will (by Ax. 2) remain $A + C = O$

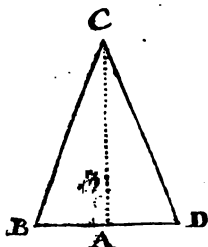
That is, the two inward and opposite }
 Angles = to the outward Angle. } *Q.E.D.*

Cor. Hence, if one Angle of any plain Triangle be given, the Sum of the other two are also given.

Theorem VI.

In every plain Triangle, Equal Sides subtend (or are opposite to) Equal Angles; and the contrary.

Demon-

Demonstration.

Suppose the Side or Leg — B C
Equal to the Side or Leg — C D,
Drop the Perpendicular — C A

Then are the Angles A B C + }
B C A ———— }

Equal to one Right Angle by }
Theor. IV. ———— }

So also are the Angles A C D + }
A D C. ———— }

That is (by Axiom 5) — $\frac{1}{2} C + B = \frac{1}{2} C + D$

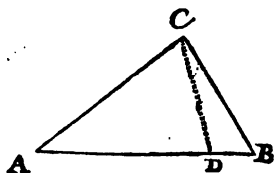
Subtract the Common Angle from both } *viz.* $\frac{1}{2} C$
Sides the Equation. ———— }

There remains (by Axiom 5) Angle — B = D
Therefore Equal Sides subtend equal Angles; Q.E.D.

Corol. Hence if the three Sides of any Triangle be equal, the three Angles will be equal to one another.

Theorem VII.

In every plain Triangle, the greatest or longest Side subtends the Greatest Angle; and *vice versa*, the Greatest Angle is subtended by the longest Side.

Demonstration.

From the Line ——— A B
Strike off, or make AD = AC
Join the two Points C and D

Then (by Theor. VI.) is }
ACD = ADC, }

But (by Theor. 5) the An- }
gle ADC = ABC + DCB }

That

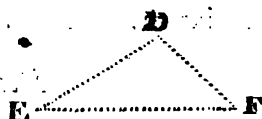
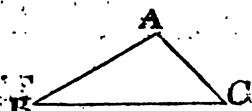
That is, the Angle ——— $\angle ACD$
 is Greater than the Angle ——— $\angle ABC$,
 And therefore (by Axiom 7.) the Angle $\angle ACB$
 is Greater than the Angle ——— $\angle ABC$.
 Thus tis proved the Angle ——— $\angle ACB$
 is Greater than the Angle ——— $\angle A$,
 Therefore the Greatest Side ——— AB
 Subtends the Greatest Angle ——— $\angle ACB$. *Q.E.D.*

Theorem VIII.

If one Triangle ABC , hath two Sides AB and AC ,
 and an Angle included A , severally equal to two
 Sides DE , DF , and an Angle included D , of any
 other Triangle EDF ; then are the rest of the Parts,
 and consequently both the Triangles equal.

Demonstration.

Lay the Point ——— D
 On the Point ——— A
 And the Line ——— ED
 On the Line or Side — AB
 Then shall the Points E & F
 fall on the Points — B & C
 And the Line or Side — DF
 will fall on the Side — AC
 Therefore (by Axiom 9) ?
 the Angle ——— $\angle E = \angle B$



And also the Angle $\angle F = \angle C$, and $DE = AC$,
 And consequently the whole Triangle — EDF
 Is equal to the whole Triangle — BAC . *Q.E.D.*

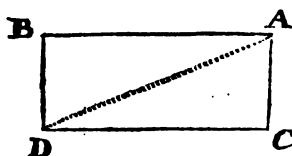
Corol. The same Thing happens if a Triangle has
 two Angles and a Side included, or all three Sides,
 equal to the same in any other Triangle.

Theorem

Theorem IX.

The opposite Sides AB, CD, of a Parallelogram are Equal, and the Diameter A B divides it into two equal Parts.

Demonstration.

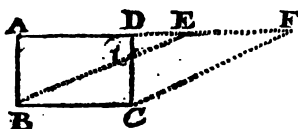


Because the Side (Def. 37) }
 AB ————— }
 Is parallel to the Side CD
 Therefore (Theo. III) }
 the Angle ——— ADC }
 Is equal to the Angle BAD
 So also the Angle ——— DAC = ADB
 And the Side included is ——— AD,
 Therefore (Corol. Theor. VIII) the Triangle - ADB,
 Is equal to the Triangle ——— DAC ——— ABC;
 And because of that, the Sides ——— AB = DC
 And the Sides ——— AC = BD. Q. E. D.

Theorem X.

Parallelograms BD, BF on the same Base BC and betwixt the same Parallels, are equal to each other.

Demonstration.



By Theor IX. the Sides }
 AB = DC. ——— }
 Also the Sides AD = BC }
 = EF ——— }
 And the Side ——— DE
 is common; therefore (Ax. I.) ——— AE = DF.
 Also the Angle ——— EAB = FDC

Therefore

Therefore the Triangle ——— $EAB = FDC$
 Subtract the common Triangle ——— DGE
 there remains (*Ax.* II) the Trapezium $CGEF$
 equal to the Trapezium ——— $ADGB$
 add the common Triangle ——— BGC
 Then will the Parallelogram ——— $ABCD$
 be equal to the Parallelogram ——— $EBCE$.

Corol. The same is true of Triangles, since they are Halves of equal Parallelograms, by *Axiom* VI.

Theorem XI.

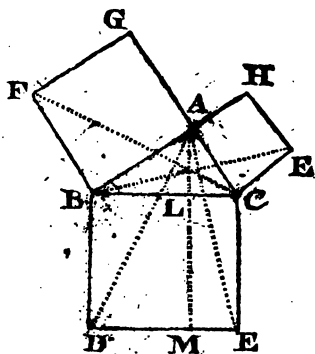
In any Right Angled Triangle ABC , the Square of the Hypothenuse BC , is equal to the Squares of the other two Sides AB and AC .

Demonstration.

Because the Angles }
 $DBC = FBA$ ——— }
 add the common Angle }
 ABC ——— }
 then will the Angle }
 $FBC = ABD$ ——— }

But (by Def. 36.) the Sides }
 $AB = FB$, and $BD = BC$. }

Therefore (by *Theor.* }
 VIII) the Triangle ABD }
 is equal to the Triangle }
 FBC ——— }



And (by *Cor.* to *Theor.* X.) the Parallelogram BM }
 $= 2ABD$ ——— }
 and the Parallelogram ——— $BG = 2FBC$
 Therefore (by *Ax.* 6.) the Parallelograms $BM = BG$
 Thus is proved the Parallelograms — $CM = CH$
 Therefore (by *Axiom* 1.) the whole Square $BE =$ }
 $BG + CH$. *Q. E. D.* ——— }

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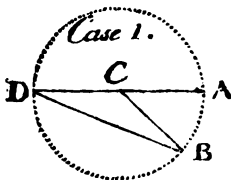
Corol.

Corol. By this most noble and useful Theorem, first invented by *Pythagoras*, is deduced the Method of Adding and Subtracting Squares, Parallelograms, Circles, &c.

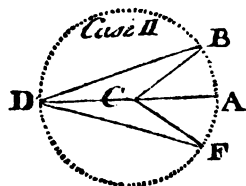
Theorem XII.

An Angle at the Center of any Circle is always double the Angle at the Circumference, when both the Angles stand on the same Arch.

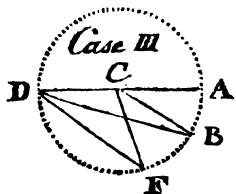
Demonstration.



Case I. By *Theor. V.* The Angle
 $\angle ACB = \angle ADB + \angle BDC$
 and the Sides $DC = BC$
 Therefore (by *Theor. VI.*) the
 $\angle BDC = \angle CBD$
 Consequently the Angle $\angle ACB$
 $= 2 \angle ADB$. Q. E. D.



Case II. By *Case I.* The Angle
 $\angle BCA = 2 \angle BDA$
 And the Angle $\angle FCA = 2 \angle FDA$
 But the Angles $\angle BCA + \angle FCA$
 $= \angle BCF$
 And $2 \angle BDA + 2 \angle FDA = 2 \angle BDF$
 Consequently the Angle $\angle BCF$
 $= 2 \angle BDF$. Q. E. D.



Case III. By *Case I.* The Angle
 $\angle FCA = 2 \angle FDA$
 And the Angle $\angle BCA = 2 \angle BDA$
 But the Angles $\angle FCA - \angle BCA$
 $= \angle FCB$
 And $2 \angle FDA - 2 \angle BDA = 2 \angle FDB$
 Consequently the Angle $\angle FCB$
 $= 2 \angle FDB$. Q. E. D.

Corol.

Corol. I. Hence all Angles at the Periphery standing on the same, or equal, Arches of a Circle are equal.

Corol. II. An Angle at the Periphery contains but half the Number of Degrees of the Arch it stands on.

Corol. III. And therefore an Angle in a Semicircle must be a Right one.

Theorem XIII.

The opposite Angles B and D, or A and C, of every four Sided Figure inscribed in a Circle are equal to two Right Angles.

Demonstration.

By *Corol. II.* of *Theor. XII.* }

The Angle B ——— }
is half the Arch it stands on }

ADC ——— }

Also the Angle ——— D }

is half the Arch it stands on }

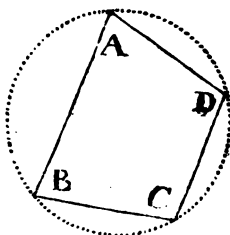
ABC ——— }

But both the Arches, viz. }

ABC + ADC ——— }

make the whole Circle; Ergo ——— B + D

are half the Circle, or two Right Angles. Q. E. D.



Theorem XIV.

Triangles between the same or Equi-distant Parallels are to one another as their Bases.

are all equal; hence the Triang. ——— CHE
 is double to the Triangle ——— DHE
 Also the Base ——— CE = 2DE
 So also is the Triangle ——— BHE
 treble to the Triangle ——— DHE
 And the Base ——— BE = 3DE
 Therefore, As the Triangle ——— BHE
 is to the Triangle ——— DHE
 So is the Base ——— BE
 to the Base ——— DE. *Q. E. D.*

Corol. The same Thing is true of Parallelograms, they being Double of their Triangles.

Theorem XV.

If two Triangles are Similar or Like, their like (or corresponding) Sides will be Proportional to each other.

Note; Similar Triangles are those which have the same single Angles severally equal to each other.

Demon-

Demonstration.

Let the Triangle ABC
be similar to the Triangle
DCE. ———— }

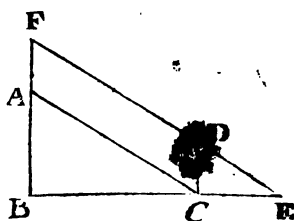
Because (by *Hypoth*) the
Angle B = DCE ———— }

The Sides (by *Theor. III*)
BF and CD ———— }

are Parallel. Also be-
cause BCA = DCE ———— }

Those Sides likewise ———— AC, and EF
are Parallel. Therefore the Figure ———— ACDF
is a Parallelogram. Whence (*Theor. IX.*) $AF = CD$,
so also are the Sides ———— $AC = FD$

Therefore it will be, $AB : AF (=CD) :: BC : CE$.
And by Permutation; ———— $AB : BC :: CD : CE$
Thus tis proved ———— $BC : AC :: CE : DE$
And by Equality $AB : AC :: CD : DE$. *Q. E. D.*



Note. This latter Part of the Demonstration which I have braced, depends on the 2d Prop. of *Euclid's* 6th Book, and the 16th, and 22d of the 5th Book; which tis proper to consult for Satisfaction; tho' they could not be conveniently here inserted, and yet I thought best to give *Euclid's* own Demonstration, as it is most Mathematical.

Scholium.

On this Noble *Theorem* depends the whole Doctrine of both Plain and Spherical-Trigonometry; and consequently Astronomy, Dialling, Navigation, Fortification, Surveying, Optics, and other Mathematical Arts, are but as it were a due Application hereof, as Mr. *Ward* has observ'd.

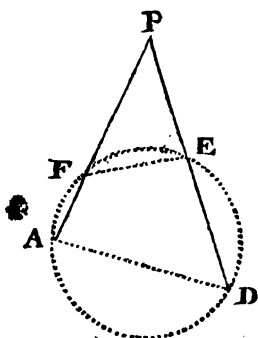
Hence

Hence also is deduced the Method of finding proportional Lines.

Theorem XVI.

If from a Point without a Circle, as P, be drawn 2 right Lines PA, PD, to the opposite Part of the Periphery the Rectangle of one whole Line and its Part without the Circle, is equal to the Rectangle of the other whole Line and its Part without the Circle.

Demonstration.



By Theor. I. and XIII. The }
 Angle PFE = D ——— }
 they being both Comple- }
 ments of the Angle AFE }
 to a Semicircle, and the }
 Angle P ——— ——— }
 is common; therefore the }
 Triangle PFE ——— ——— }
 is Similar (Theor. XV.) to }
 the Triangle PDA. ——— }
 Therefore as AP : EP :: }
 DP : FP ——— ——— }

Consequently — $AP \times FP = DP \times EP$, Q. E. D.

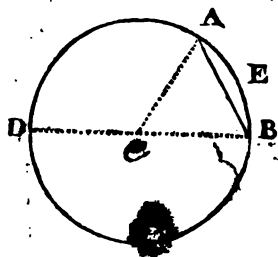
Theorem XVII.

The Chord of 60 Degrees of the Arch of any Circle is equal to the Radius, or Semidiameter of that Circle.

Demon-

Demonstration.

(Note. Every Circle is supposed to be divided into 360 equal Parts, call'd Degrees.)



Suppose the Arch of 60 Degrees be AEB;
 And the Chord thereof be AB;
 Now because the Sides $AC=CB$,
 Therefore (by *Theor. VI.*) the Angle $A=B$;
 But (by *Theor. V.*) they are both equal to ACD , viz.
 $180 \text{ deg.} - 60 \text{ deg.} = 120 \text{ Degrees.}$
 Therefore all the Angles are equal, $ACB=B=A$.
 Consequently (by *Theor. VI. Cor.*) all the Sides } viz. $AC=AB=BC$, & *E.D.*
 are equal,

Corol. Hence the Reason why 60 Degrees is taken from the Line of Chords on any Scale for the Radius of a Circle suited to that Scale.

Theorem XVIII.

The Triangles form'd by the Radius Sine and Co-Sine of any Arch; as also by the Radius Tangent and Secant; and lastly, by the Radius Co-Tangent and Co-Secant of the same Arch, are all Similar, and have their Sides proportionable.

Demon-

Corol. I. Hence the Radius is a mean Proportional between the Sine and Co-Secant of an Arch. By Prop. 1. as $AD : CA :: CH : GC$.

Corol. II. The Radius is a mean Proportional between the Tangent and Co-Tangent of any Arch. By Prop. 2. as $EF : CE :: HC : HG$.

Corol. III. The Radius is a mean Proportional between the Secant and Co-Sine of an Arch. By Prop. 3. as $CD : CA :: CE : CF$.

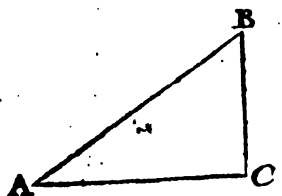
Corol. IV. Therefore in the Logarithmic Canon,
If from the Double of Radius,
You substract the Co-Sine of any Arch,
There will remain the Secant thereof.
If you substra&t the Sine of the Arch,
there will remain the Co-Secant.

Scholium.

This Excellent Theorem exhibits the Rational, or true Reason of all the Canons or Proportions made use of in all the Operations of Plain and Spherical Trigonometry. And the Reason why Secants are not in the Tables as well as Sines and Tangents, is because they are so easily found (when they are wanted) by *Corol. IV.*

Theorem XIX.

Any Two Sides of a Right-Angled Triangle being given, the other Side is also given.

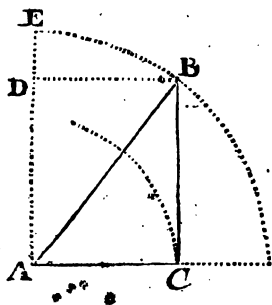


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Demon-

Demonstration.

For (by *Theor.* XI.) the Square of ——— AB
 is equal to the Sum of the Squares of AC and CB
 Therefore the Square of the Side ——— AC
 is equal to the Dif. of the Squares of AB and CB
 And the Square of the Side ——— BC
 is equal to Diff. of the Squares of ——— AB and AC
 Now since the Square of any Side ——— AB, AC, BC
 is given; The Side it self is } *Q. E. D.*
 also given by Extraction.

Theorem XX.

In a Right-angled Tri-
 angle if the Hypothenuſe
 be made Radius, then are
 the Sides the Sines of their
 oppoſite Angles; and if
 either Leg be made the
 Radius, then the other Leg
 is the Tangent of its op-
 poſite Angle, and the Hy-
 pothenuſe is the Secant of
 that Angle,

Demonstration.

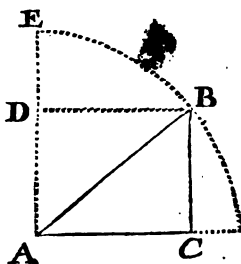
1. Make the Hypothenuſe Radius, viz. ——— AB
 Then (by *Def.* XX.) the Side ——— BC
 Is the Sine of its oppoſite Angle ——— BAC
 And the Side or Leg ——— AC = DB
 is (by *Def.* XXIV.) the Sine of ——— ABC = BAD
2. Again, if the Leg or Baſe be Radius ——— AC
 Then (by *Def.* XXI) the other Leg ——— BC

Is

Is the Tangent of the Angle $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ BAC
 And the Hypothenufe $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ AB
 Will be (by *Def. XXII.*) the Secant thereof. *Q.E.D.*

Theorem XXI.

The Radius and Sine of an Arch being given, the Co-sine is also given.

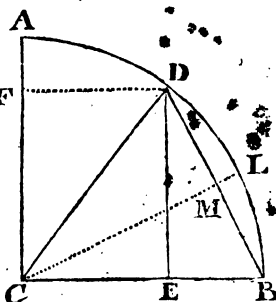


Demonstration.

There being given the Radius and Sine—AB & BC,
 Then (by *Theor. XIX.*) the Co-sine—AC-DB
 is equal to the Square Root of— $AB^2 - BC^2$.

Theorem XXII.

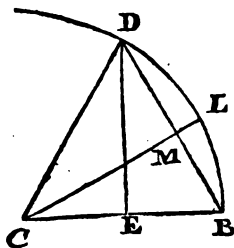
The Radius and Sine of any Arch being given, the Sine of half that Arch is also given.



Demonstration.

There being given $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ CD (= CB) and DE,
 There is given (by *Theo. XXI.*) $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ CE.
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Then the Diff. of Co-sine and Radius, $CB - CE$,
 Is the Side (or Versed-sine) EB ,
 Therefore in the Right-angled Triangle DEB
 there is given the two Sides DE and EB
 Whence (by *Theor. XIX.*) the other Side DB
 is given also; The half of which, *viz.* DM
 is the Sine of the Arch DL
 which is half the Arch DB . *Q.E.D.*



Theorem XXIII.

The Radius and Sine of an Arch being given, the Sine of double that Arch is also given.

Demonstration.

There being given the Radius and Sine, CB & BM
 of the Arch BL ,
 there will be given (by *Theo. XXI.*) the Co-sine CM ,
 and because the Angles $E = M$
 and the Common Angle B ;
 the Right-angled Triangle CBM
 is Similar to the Triangle DEB .
 Therefore (by *Theor. XV.*) As $CB : CM :: DB$
 $(= 2BM) : DE$
 the Sine of double the given Arch, *viz.* of DL .
Q.E.D.

Corol. I. Hence we have these Proportions,
 As $CB : 2CM :: BD : 2DE$,
 That is, as $CB : 2CM :: 2BM : 2DE$.
 Therefore, as $BM : DE :: \frac{1}{2}CB : CM$.

Corol.

Tad : $2BM :: 2DE : 2BM$

Sim : $2BM : 2DE :: 2BM : 2DE$

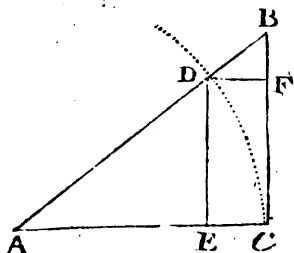
Theorem XXIV.

There being given the Radius and Sine CD, and FO.
the Co-sine (by *Theo.* XXI.) is also given, viz. CO,
of the Arch ————— FD.
And because of the Parallel Lines ——— OP, DK,
and also of the Parallels ——— OM, GE, CB,
Those Triangles will be simi- } CDK, COP, CHI,
lar, or Equiangular, viz. } FOH, and FOM.
Therefore (by *Theor.* XV.) as CD : DK :: CO : OP.
which now is known; Also as CD : CK :: FO : FM,
which is also now known; but because FO = EO,
Therefore the Lines ——— FM = MG = ON.
Hence it will be ——— OP + FM = FE.
The Sine Sum of the Arches; and also OP - FM = EL,
The Sine of their Difference ——— Q. E. D.

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Corol. II. Hence Radius : to Double the Co-sine of the Mean Arch :: the Sine of the Difference of the Arches : to the Difference of the Sines of the extream Arches.

For we have $CD : CK :: FO : FM$,
 Consequently, $CD : 2CK :: FO : 2FM = FG$,
 The difference of the Sines EL, FI . *Q.E.D.*



Theorem XXV.

In small Arches, the Sines and Tangents of the same Arches are nearly to one another in the Ratio of Equality.

Demonstration.

Because of the the Parallel Lines CB, DE ,
 Those Triangles will be similar DAE, BAC
 Therefore (by *Theor.* XV.) as $AE : AC$
 $:: DE : BC$.

But as the Point E

Approaches to the Point C

The Difference EC

will vanish, in respect of the Arch DC

Whence the two Lines AE, AC

will be nearly equal ; so will DE, BC ,

be nearly equal. If EC

be less than the $\frac{1}{1000000}$ Part of AC

Then shall the Diff. of the Sine and Tan. BF

be less than the $\frac{1}{1000000}$ Part of BC .

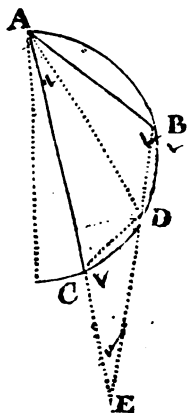
Therefore, &c. *Q.E.D.*

Corol.

Corol. Since any Arch is less than the Tangent, and greater than its Sine, and the Sine and Tangent of a very small Arch are nearly equal, Therefore the Arch shall be nearly equal to its Sine; and so in very small Arches it shall be, as Arch is to Arch, so is Sine to Sine.

Theorem XXVI.

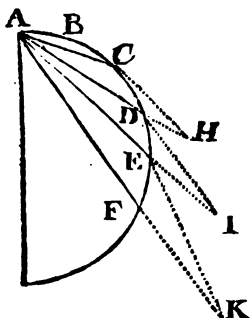
If the Angle BAC, being in the Periphery of a Circle, be bisected by the Right-Line AD; and if AC be produced until $DE=AD$ meet it in E, then shall $CE=AB$.



Demonstration.

In the Four-sided Figure $ABDC$
 The Angles (by *Theo.* XIII and L) $\angle B + \angle ACD$
 are equal to two Right ones, and to $\angle DCE + \angle DCA$.
 Whence by (*Ax.* V.) the Angle $\angle B = \angle DCE$
 Also (by *Theor.* VI.) the Angle $\angle E = \angle DAC$.
 And (by Supposition) the Angle $\angle DAC = \angle DAB$.
 Also (by *Theor.* XII.) the Side $CD = DB$.
 Wherefore the Triangles BAD & CED ,
 are equal (by *Theor.* VIII.) Therefore $CE = AB$
 Q. E. D.

Theorem



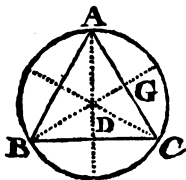
Theorem XXVII.

Let the Arches AB, BC, CD, DE, EF, &c. be equal; and let the Subtenses of the Arches AB, AC, AD, AE, &c. be drawn; then will $AB:AC::AC:AB+AD::AD:AC+AE::AE:AD+AF$.

Since the Angle $\angle BAD$ is bisected by the Right-Line AC we shall have (by *Theor.* XXVI.) $DH=AB$ Solikewise shall $EI=AC$, and $FK=AD$. But the *Isoceles* Triangles $\triangle ABC, \triangle ACH, \triangle ADI, \triangle AEK$ are all Equiangular, by *Theo.* XXVI. Wherefore it will be (by *Theor.* XV.)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{As } AB:AC \\ :: AC:AH=AB+AD \\ :: AD:AI=AC+AE \\ :: AE:AK=AD+AF. \end{array} \right. \text{Q.E.D.}$$

Corol Because (by *Theor.* XXIII. *Corol.* 1.) $AB:AC::\text{Radius}:\text{Double the Co-Sine of } \frac{1}{2} \text{ the Arch } AB$; Therefore it will be, As $\text{Radius}:\text{Double the Co-Sine of } \frac{1}{2} \text{ the Arch } AB::\frac{1}{2} AB:\frac{1}{2} AC::\frac{1}{2} AC:\frac{1}{2} AB+\frac{1}{2} AD::\frac{1}{2} AD:\frac{1}{2} AC+\frac{1}{2} AE::\frac{1}{2} AE:\frac{1}{2} AD+\frac{1}{2} AF$, &c.



Theorem XXVIII.

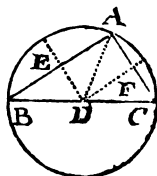
The Sides of Plain Triangles are to one another as the Sines of their opposite Angles,

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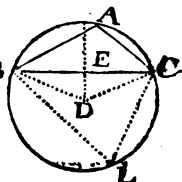
Demonstration.

1. In the Acute Angled Triangle $\triangle ABC$,
 if a Side be bisected, as AC
 then (by *Def. XX.*) Half the Side, } AG , or CG
viz. _____ }
 will be the Sine of the Angles ADG , or CDG ,
 and therefore (by *Theor. XII.*) of the } $\triangle ABC$,
 opposite Angle, _____ }

2. In the Right-Angled } $\triangle ABC$,
 Triangle _____ }
 The Sine of the Right-Angle BAC
 is the Radius or $\frac{1}{2}$ the } $BD = \frac{1}{2} BC$
 Opposite Side _____ }



3. In the Oblique Angled } $\triangle ABC$,
 Triangle _____ }
 The Angle _____ BAC B
 hath the same Sine, as the } BLC ,
 Angle _____ }



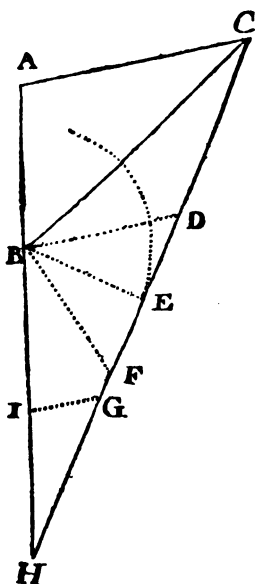
* (For they are either to other, the Complement to two Right Angles) by *Theor. XIII.*

But the Angle _____ BDE ,
 (whose Sine is _____ BE)
 is (by *Theor. XII.*) equal to the Angle _____ BLC
 Therefore also shall _____ BE
 be the Sine of the Angle _____ BAC .

And thus in every Triangle the Halves of the Sides are the Sines of their opposite Angles; but 'tis evident, the Sides are to one another as their Halves.

Ergo, &c. _____ $Q. E. D.$

* *N.B.* The Sine of an Arch and of its Complement to 180 Degrees, or two Right Angles, is all one.



In a Plain Triangle, As the Sum of the Legs, is to the Difference of the Legs; So is the Tangent of half the Sum of the opposite Angles to the Tangent of half their Difference.

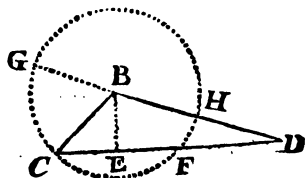
Demonstration.

Let the given Triangle be $\triangle ABC$.
 and let it be made $BI=BA$, $BH=BC$, $HF=CD$.
 also let the Lines BD , IG , AC ,
 be parallel; and the Perpendicular Radius BE .
 Then will the Line AH
 be the Sum of the Legs $AB+BC$.
 and their Difference will be IH .
 Also the Sum of the opposite Angles $A+ACB$
 will be (by *Theor.* V.) the Angle CBH ,
 the Half of which is the Angle CBE ,
 the Tangent whereof is EC .
 And since (by *Theor.* VIII.) $HBF=CBD=BCA$
 and (by *Theor.* III.) the Angle $HBD=A$.
 Where-

Wherefore the Difference of the Angles $A - ACB$
 shall be the Angle $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ FBD ,
 whose Half is the Angle $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ EBD ,
 the Tangent of which is $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ ED .
 But (by *Theor. XV.*) } As $HI : HG :: HB : HD$
 we shall have } $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} :: HA : HC$.
 Subtract the Terms or Proportionals, HI, HG ,
 the Remainders will be $IB : BA :: GD : DC$.
 Whence we } $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} DC = DG = HF$
 shall have } Consequently, $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} HG = DF$
 and therefore $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \frac{1}{2} HG = \frac{1}{2} DF = DE$.
 And because of similar Triangles, AHC, IHG ,
 it shall be } As $AH : IH :: HC : HG$
 (by *The. XV.*) } $:: \frac{1}{2} HC : \frac{1}{2} HG :: EC : ED$.
 Therefore as $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} AH : IH :: EC : ED$.
Q. E. D.

Theorem XXX.

In any plain Triangle,
 as the Base or longest Side
 is to the Sum of the other
 two Sides ; So is the Dif-
 ference of those Sides, to
 the Difference of the Seg-
 ments of the Base.

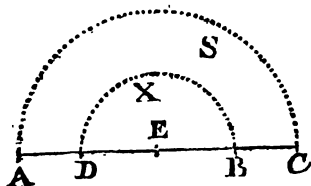


Demonstration.

In the Triangle $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ CBD ,
 the Base or longest Side is $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ CD .
 The Sum of the other two Sides $GD = CB + BD$
 the Difference of which is $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ HD .
 The Segments of the Base are $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ CE, ED ,
 whose Difference is $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ FD .
 And because (by *Theor. XVI.*) $DC \times DF = GD \times DH$,
 Therefore 'twill be, As $DC : GD :: DH : DF$.
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That

That is, As the Base ———— DC
 is to the Sum of the Sides ———— GD
 So is their Difference ———— DH
 to the Diff. of the Seg. of the Base DF,
Q. E. D.

Theorem XXXI.



The Sum and Difference of any two Quantities being given, the Quantities themselves are thereby given.

Demonstration.

Suppose the two unknown Quantities are } AB, BC.
 represented by the two Lines ———— }
 Let the Sum of both be ———— AC=S,
 Then make ———— AD=BC.
 So shall their Difference be ———— DB=X.
 Also the half Sum is ———— AE= $\frac{1}{2}$ S.
 And the half Difference is ———— EB= $\frac{1}{2}$ X.
 But it is ———— AE+EB= $\frac{S+X}{2}$ =AB.

Also it is ———— AE-EB= $\frac{S-X}{2}$ =BC.

That is in Words,

Half the Sum added to half the Difference gives the greater Quantity AB; and half the Difference deducted from half the Sum, leaves the lesser Quantity BC. *Q. E. D.*

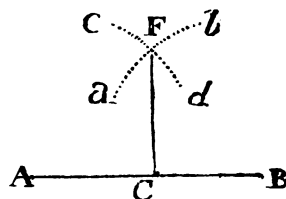
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CHAP. IV.

Geometrical Problems.

Problem I.

UPON any given Point C, in a given Line AB, to raise a Perpendicular.

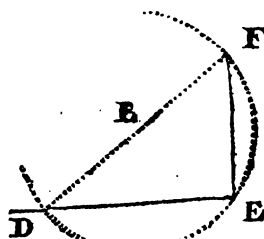


Practice.

On each Side the Point _____ C,
take an equal Distance _____ CA=CB,
then with one Foot of the Compasses in A and B
with any Distance greater than _____ AC
describe two intersecting Arks, _____ a b, c d,
Join the two Points _____ F, C,
And 'tis the Perpendicular required.

Problem II.

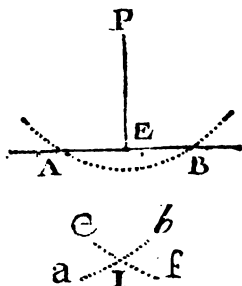
To raise a Perpendicular
on the Point E, at the End of
a given Line D E.



Practice.

Practice.

Set one Foot of the Compasses in _____ E
 and pitch the other in any Point _____ B
 above, or over, the given Line _____ DE
 with the same Distance on _____ B
 describe the Semicircle _____ DEF
 Draw the Diameter _____ DF
 to cut the Semicircle in the Point _____ F
 join the two Points _____ F, E;
 And it is the Perpendicular requir'd.

*Problem III.*

From a Point given above
 a Line as P, to let fall a Per-
 pendicular on the Line AB.

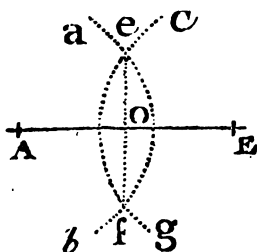
Practice.

On the Point given _____ P
 with a Distance greater than _____ PE
 describe an Arch, as _____ AB,
 cutting the given Line in _____ A, and B;
 On those Points, describe the two Arches, a b, ef,
 then from the Point of Intersection _____ I
 lay a Ruler to the Point _____ P
 and draw the Line _____ PE
 That is the Perpendicular required.

Problem.

Problem IV.

To divide a given Right-line, as A E, into two equal Parts, *i. e.* to bisect it.

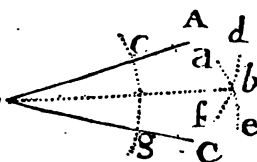


Practice.

On the two Ends, ——— A, E
with a sufficient Distance, describe ——— a b, c g,
then from the Points of Intersection, ——— c, f,
draw the Line ——— c f
cutting the given Line in ——— O
and being just in the Middle, it divides } $AO = OE$
the Line into the equal Parts ———

Problem V.

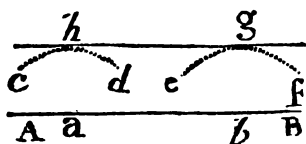
To divide a given Angle B
ABC into two equal Parts,
by the Right-line B b.



Practice.

On the Angular Point ——— B
at proper Distance, describe the Arch, ——— c g
then on the Points ——— c, and g,
describe the two intersecting Arches, a c, and d f,
join the angular and intersecting Points ——— B, b,
by the Right-line ——— B b,
That Line divides the Angle into two equal Parts,
as was required.





Problem

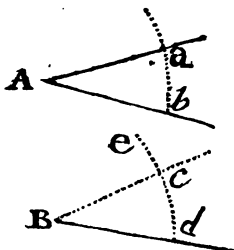


Problem VI.

To draw a Line parallel to a given Right-line at an any given Distance.

Practice.

In the given Line  AB
on any two Points  a b
with the given Distance describe the }
two Arches  cd, ef
on the Extrems of those Arches  g, h
draw a Right-line, which will be parallel to the
given Line, as required.



Problem VII.

To make a Right-lined Angle
B, equal to a given Angle A.

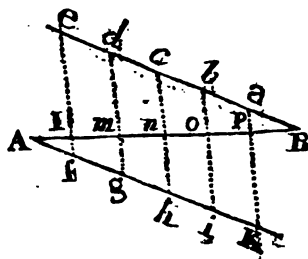
Practice.

On the given Angle $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ A,
 describe an Arch, as $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ a b,
 Then, having drawn any Line $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ B d
 on the Point $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ B
 with the same Distancce, as before, $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ A b
 describe the Arch $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ e d,
 then set off $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ d c = a b
 and through the Points $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ B, c,
 draw the Right-line $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ B c
 then shall the Angle $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$ C B d = a A b
 as required. *Problem*

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Problem VIII.

To divide a Right-line into any Number of equal Parts; Suppose six.

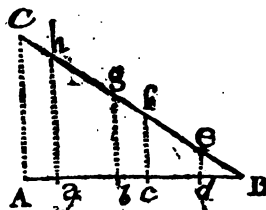


Practice.

On the Ends of the given Line, ——— AB
and on contrary Sides, draw the Lines ——— AK, Bc,
parallel or at equal Angles; then on }
each make the equal Divisions } Ba, ab, bc, cd, de,
(which must be but 5.) } Af, fg, gb, hi, iK,
then draw the Parallels ——— aK, bj, cb, dg, cf,
for they will divide the Line ——— AB,
into Six equal Parts, in the Points ——— I, m, n, o, P,
as was required.

Problem IX.

To divide a Right Line BC in the same Proportion as any other Line AB is divided.



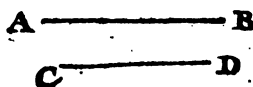
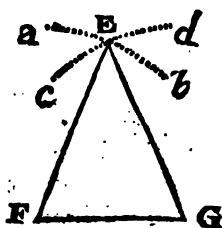
Practice.

With the two Lines make any Angle ——— ABC,
and suppose the Line ——— AB
be divided in the several Points ——— a, b, c, d,
join

and with the Distance _____ CD ,
describe the two Arches _____ $a b$, $c d$
intersecting each other in _____ E
Join the Points _____ CE and DE
and the equilateral Triangle _____ CED
will be completed, as required.

Problem XII.

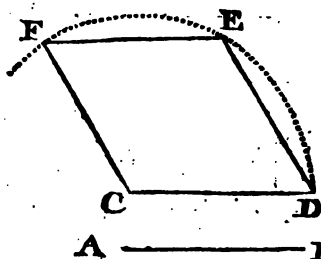
To describe an Isosceles Triangle, whose equal Legs shall be each equal to a given Line AB , and its other Side equal to another given Line CD .



Practice.

Make the Side _____ $FG = CD$,
and on the Points _____ F , G ,
and with the Distance of the Line _____ AB ,
describe the two Arches _____ $a b$, and $c d$,
intersecting each other in _____ E
Join the Points _____ FE , and EG ,
then will the Isosceles Triangle _____ FEG
be completed, as required.

Problem XVI.

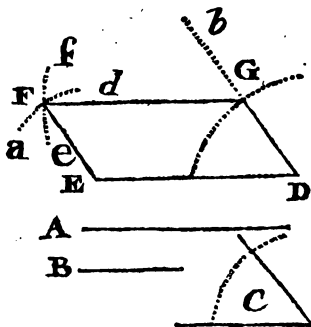


To construct a Rhombus, whose Sides shall be equal to the given Line AB .

Practice.

Draw the Line $CD=AB$,
 on the Central Point C
 and with the Distance CD
 describe the Arch DEF
 then from the Point D
 set off on the Arch DE, EF ,
 each equal to the Line CD ,
 join the Points DE, EF, FC ,
 And the Rhombus is constructed, as required.

Problem XVII.



To construct a Rhomboides, whose opposite Sides shall be separately equal to two given Lines A, B ; and whose Angle D shall be equal to the given Angle C .

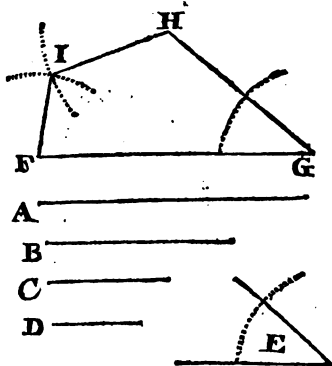
Practice.

Practice.

Draw the Line _____ $ED=A$.
 then on the Point _____ D
 draw a Line _____ Db
 making the Angle _____ $D=C$
 then on the Line _____ Db
 set off the Side _____ $DG=B$
 On the Points _____ G, E,
 and with the Distances _____ ED, DG,
 describe the two Arches _____ a d, c f,
 and from the Point of Intersection _____ F
 draw the Lines, or Sides _____ GF, FE
 And the Rhomboides is completed, as required.

Problem XVIII.

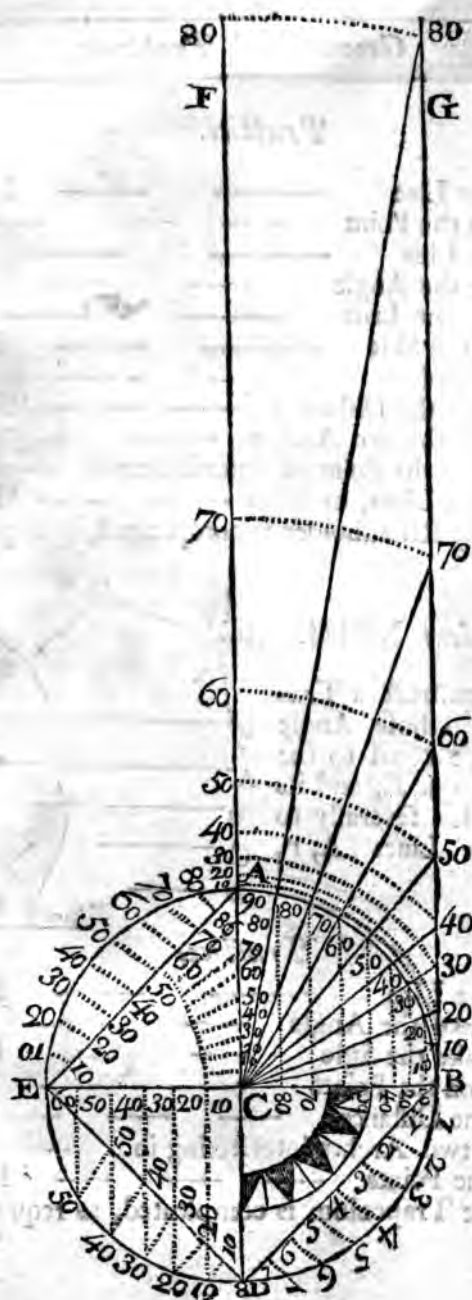
To construct a Trapezium, whose Angle G shall be equal to the given Angle E, and its four Sides severally to the four Lines A, B, C, D.



Practice.

Draw the Line _____ $FG=A$
 and make the Angle _____ $G=E$
 also make the Side _____ $GH=B$
 Then on the Points _____ H, F
 with the Distances _____ C, D,
 sweep two Arches intersecting in _____ I
 Join the Points _____ IH, IF,
 And the Trapezium is completed, as required.

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Problem XIX.

To construct a Scale of Natural Sines, Tangents, and Secants; also a Line of Chords, Rhumbs, and Longitudes.

Practice.

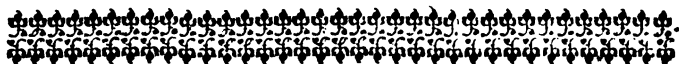
Describe a Circle _____ ABDE
 which cross with two Diameters _____ AD, BE,
 on the Point _____ B
 erect the Perpendicular _____ BG,
 parallel to which continue the Diameter _____ DA
 infinitely towards _____ F
 then graduate the quadrantal Arch _____ AB
 and thro' each Division, from the Center _____ C
 draw Lines to the Perpendicular _____ BG
 which Perpendicular shall }
 be the Tangent-Line, gra- } 10. 20. 30. 40. &c.
 duated in the Points. _____ }
 Then with one Foot of the Compasses in _____ C
 transfer the Divisions of the Tangent _____ BG
 with the other Point to the Line _____ AF
 so shall that be a Line of }
 Secants, graduated in the } 10. 20. 30. 40. &c.
 Points _____ }
 Then from the said Divisions of the Arch _____ AB
 let fall Perpendiculars to the Radius _____ CB
 so shall that Radius be a Line }
 of Right-Sines, graduated in } 10. 20. 30. &c.
 the Points. _____ }
 Also, if from the Point _____ E
 you draw Lines to the Divisions in _____ AB
 they will graduate the Line _____ AC
 for a Line of half Tangents, in 10. 20. 30. 40. &c.
 H Next

Next graduate the Arch ——— AE
 and transfer those Divisions to the Chord ——— AE
 so shall that be a Line of }
 Chords graduated in the } 10. 20. 30. 40. &c.
 Points ——— }
 Divide the Semidiameter ——— CE
 into 60 equal Parts, in ——— 10. 20. 30. &c.
 from which drop Perpendiculars to the Arch ED
 transfer those Divisions in the Arch, to the } ED
 Chord ——— }
 so shall that Chord be the Line }
 of Longitudes, graduated in } 10. 20. 30. &c.
 the Points ——— }

Lastly, divide the quadrantal Arch ——— BD
 into Eight equal Parts, in ——— 1. 2. 3. 4. &c.
 then transfer those Divisions to Chord ——— BD
 so shall that Chord be a Line of }
 Rhumbs, graduated in the Points } 1. 2. 3. 4. &c.

Those Lines being thus made and graduated, are to be placed appositely on any Instrument of Paste-board, Wood, or Brass, &c. and this is what is commonly called the *Plain-Scale*; which may be made of any Size according to the Radius or Semidiameter of the Circle.

N.B. This *Problem* ought to be well understood by every one who would have a rational Knowledge of *Trigonometry*, the Construction of this Scheme being the Grounds and Rationale of every Kind thereof.



C H A P. V.

Various Methods of Constructing a Canon of Natural Sines, Tangents, and Secants : Also of the Logarithmic Canon.

THE first Method for making Natural Sines, &c. is deduced from the foregoing *Theorems*.

For, by *Theorem XVII*, the Chord of 60 Degrees is equal to the Radius or Semidiameter of the Circle; consequently, half the Radius is the Sine of 30 Degrees; and therefore if Radius be supposed equal to 10000000 Parts, the Sine of 30 Degrees shall be equal to 5000000 of the said Parts.

Now, the Sine of the Arch of 30 Degrees being given, the Sine of the Arch of 15 Degrees is given also (or may be found) by *Theorem XXII*; By the same *Theorem* also, the Sine of 15 Degrees being given, we shall have the Sine of 7 Deg. and 30 Min. and this Sine being known, we shall find the Sine of 3 Deg. 45 Min. by the same *Theorem*; and thus proceeding, till 12 Bisections being made, we come to the Sine of an Arch of 52" 44" 03'" 45'" whose Co-Sine is nearly equal to Radius.

In such a Case, 'tis evident by *Theorem XXV*, that Arches are proportional to their Sines; and

therefore, As the Arch of $52'' 44''' 03'''' 45'''''$ is to an Arch of one Minute; So is the Sine of the Arch of $52'' 44''' 03'''' 45'''''$ to the Sine of an Arch of one Minute; which therefore is thus known.

The Sine of an Arch of one Minute being found, we find, by *Theorem XXI*, its Co-Sine, or Sine of $89^\circ 59'$, and the Sine of an Arch of two Minutes will become known, by *Theorem XXIII*. and its Co-Sine also (or Sine of $89^\circ 58'$) as before said.

The Sines of the Arches of $1'$ and $2'$, as also their Co-Sines, viz the Sines of $89^\circ 59'$ and $89^\circ 58'$ being thus found; if, in the Scheme to *Theo. XXVII*. we make each of the Arches AB, BC, CD, &c. equal to $2'$; then $\frac{1}{2}AB=1'$; and $\frac{1}{2}AC=2'$; and $\frac{1}{2}AD=3'$; &c. and let the Co-Sine of one Minute, viz. $89^\circ 59'$ be called K; then the Sines of all the other Minutes of the Quadrant may be found by *Corol. to the said Theorem XXVII*, and *Corol. 1. to Theorem XXIII*.

Thus the Proportion will be; As R : $2K$:: Sine of $2'$: Sine of $1' +$ Sine of $3'$; thus the Sine of $3'$ is found. Also R : $2K$:: S. $3'$: S. $2' +$ S. $4'$; hence the Sine of $4'$ is found. Again, As R : $2K$:: S. $4'$: S. $3' +$ S. $5'$; wherefore the Sine of $5'$ is thus known. Also, As R : $2K$:: S. $5'$: S. $4' +$ S. $6'$; and so the Sine of $6'$ will be had, and in like manner will all the other Sines be obtain'd.

But, because the Radius is to Double Co-Sine of an Arch of one Minute, as 1 is to 2; (for the Sine of $89^\circ 59'$ is equal to Radius, to a Number of Figures exceeding the Tables) therefore the above Proportions will stand thus,

As 1 : 2 :: S. $2'$: S. $1' +$ S. $3'$; As 1 : 2 :: S. $3'$: S. $2' +$ S. $4'$, &c. That is, if from the Double of any given Sine, be subducted the Sine of the Minute next before, there will remain the Sine of the Minute next following.

For

For Example, Suppose the Sine of $6^{\circ} 1'$ were required (all the precedent Sines being found) the Proportion will be, As $1 : 2 :: S. 360' : S. 359' + S. 361'$.

Therefore multiply the Sine of $360'$ $= 1045285$
By $\frac{1000000}{2}$

From that Product ————— 2090570
Subduct the Sine of 359 (= 5° 59') = 1042392

There remains the sought Sine of $361' = 1048178$

And thus by an easy Multiplication and Subtraction all the Sines are found for every Minute of the Quadrant.

If the Sines and Co-Sines of $1'$ and $2'$ be given; the Sines of the following Minutes may also be found by the Proportion in *Corol. II. to Theorem XXIV.* For thereby 'twill be, As Radius : to Double the Co-Sine of $2'$:: Sine of $1'$: the Difference of the Sines of $1'$ and $3'$:: Sine $2'$: the Difference of the Sines of $0'$ and $4'$, that is, to the Sine of $4'$. And thus the Sines of the four first Minutes being given, we can thereby find the Sines of the others to $8'$, and from thence to $16'$, and so on till you arrive to Degrees.

By the same Proportion, the Sines of all the preceding Degrees being given to any Arch, we find the Sine of all subsequent Degrees to the Double of that Arch; As suppose, for Example, all the Sines to 15 Degrees be given; then, by the said Analogy, all the Sines to 30 Degrees may be found. For Radius : Double the Co-Sine of $15^\circ ::$ Sine 1° : Difference of the Sines of 14° and $16^\circ ::$ S. 2° : Difference of the Sines of 13° and $17^\circ ::$ S. 3° : the Difference

ference of the Sines of 12° and 18° , &c. to the Sine of 30° . Then, all the Sines to 30° being given, As Radius : to Double the Co-Sine of 30° (= Double the Sine of 60°) :: S. 1° : Difference of the Sines of 29° and 31° :: S. 2° : Diff. of the Sines of 28° and 32° , &c. till you come to the Sine of 60° . But, in this Case, As Radius is to Double the Co-Sine of 30° , so is 1 to $\sqrt{3} = 1.7320508$, &c. and therefore if the Sines of the Distances from the Mean Arch of 30° be multiplied by 1.7320508 the Differences of the Sines will be obtain'd ; Since if Radius be 1, the Double of the Co-Sine of 30° (or Sine of 60°) will be equal to $\sqrt{3} = 1.7320508$, &c. as before.

Hence the Sines of all Arches from the Beginning of the Quadrant to 60 Degrees being given, distant from each other by a given Interval ; all the other Sines to 90° are easily found by one Addition only. For, in the Scheme to *Theorem* XXIV. if the Arch BD be equal to 60° the Difference of the Sines FI and EL, shall be equal to the Sine FO of the Distance FD from the Mean Arch of 60° BD, that is FO = FG ; because CK = Sine of 30° , and therefore, CD being equal to 2CK, by Similarity of Triangles we shall have FO = FH = FG, as was said. Now, if the Arches DF, DE, be each equal to one Degree ; then shall the Arch BE = 59° , and the Arch BF = 61° . But the Sine FI of the Arch BF = 61° , is equal to the Sine EL of the Arch BE = 59° + the Sine FO (=FG) of the Arch FD = 1° , and therefore the Sine 62° = S. 58° + S. 2° ; And the S. 63° = S. 57° + S. 3° ; and the S. 64° = S. 56° + S. 4° ; &c. so on, till, by this continual Addition, all the Sines be completed.

Having by these Methods constructed a Canon or Table.

Then .

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of natural Sines for every Degree and Minute of the Quadrant, we may easily find the Tangents and Secants by the Proportions in *Theorem XVIII*.

Thus, for the Tangents, say; As the Co-Sine is to the Sine, so is the Radius to the Tangent;

And, As Co-Sine is to Radius, so is Radius to the Secant; that is, Divide the Square of Radius by the Co-Sine, the Quotient is the Secant. But both the Tangents and Secants will be best and easiest found by the Logarithms of the Sines, as I shall shew by and by.

The next, which is also the best and most absolute Method of finding the Natural Sines and Co-Sines of all Arches, is by a converging Series. The first that laid down a Series converging in *Infinitum*, for this Purpose, was that incomparable Mathematical Philosopher, Sir *Isaac Newton*, and after him it has been improved by others. The Genesis, or Method of Forming such a Series, may be found in several Authors, particularly, in *Domckius's Philos. Mathem. Newton. Illustrata*.

By this Method of converging Series the Arches must be given, in order to find the Sines thereof, and therefore the young Geometer must know, that if the Diameter of a Circle be 2, the Periphery, or whole Arch of such a Circle has been found (by very great Pains and Industry of the learned) to be, in that Measure, 6.28318530717958647692528676655900576.

But 6 or 7 of the first of these Decimals are sufficient for Use. If then the whole Circumference of a Circle be 6.2831853, &c. one fourth Part, viz. 1.5707963, &c. will be the Length of the Arch of a Quadrant; and because every Quadrant contains 90 Degrees; therefore a Ninetieth Part of the last Number, viz.

0.0174533,

0.0174533, &c. is the length of an Arch of one Degree, and a Sixtieth of that, viz. 0.000290888, &c. is the Measure of an Arch of one Minute, and by such kind of Division the Length or Measure of an Arch of any Number of Degrees and Minutes, is to be found.

In this Case then, the Radius (or Semidiameter) being 1, and the Arch being found as before, call it A; and the Sine thereof will be

$$A - \frac{A^3}{1.2.3.} + \frac{A^5}{1.2.3.4.5.} - \frac{A^7}{1.2.3.4.5.6.7.} +$$

$$\frac{A^9}{1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9.} \text{ \&c. The Co-Sine will be}$$

$$1 - \frac{A^2}{1.2.} + \frac{A^4}{1.2.3.4.} - \frac{A^6}{1.2.3.4.5.6.} + \frac{A^8}{1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.}$$

&c. The Tangent will be

$$A + \frac{A^3}{3} + \frac{2A^5}{15} + \frac{17A^7}{315} + \frac{62A^9}{2835} \text{ \&c.}$$

These Series in the Beginning of the Quadrant, when the Arch A is but small, soon converge. For in the Series for the Sine, if the Arch does not exceed 10 Minutes, the two first Terms thereof, viz. $A - \frac{1}{6}A^3$ gives the Sine to 15 Places of Figures; if the Arch A be not greater than one Degree, the three first Terms will exhibit the Sine to 15 Places of Figures: Yea, the two first will give the Sine as far as the Tables require.

Example.

Example.

The Len. of the Arch of 1 Deg. is $0.01745329 = A$.

The Logarithm whereof is $\underline{\quad\quad\quad} .8\ 2418772$

Multiply that by $\underline{\quad\quad\quad} \quad\quad\quad 3$

The Product is the Cube, viz. A^3 $\underline{\quad\quad\quad} .47256316$

Which divide by $\underline{\quad\quad\quad} 6 = \underline{\quad\quad\quad} 0.7781512$

The Quotient is $\frac{1}{6}A^3 = 0.0000008861 = \underline{\quad\quad\quad} 3.9474804$

Then from the first Term — $A = 0.017453292$ *32*

Subtract the second Term $\frac{1}{6}A^3 = 0.000000886$

There remains the Sine of 1 deg. $= 0.017452406$
the same as in the Tables.

Example of the Co-Sine of one Degree.

The Logarithm of A, as before, $= 8.2418772$

Which multiply by $\underline{\quad\quad\quad} \quad\quad\quad 2$

The Product is the Log. of $A^2 = \underline{\quad\quad\quad} 6.4837544$

From which subtract the Log. of 2 $= \underline{\quad\quad\quad} 0.3010300$

There remains $\frac{A^2}{1.2} = .0001523 = \underline{\quad\quad\quad} 6.1827244$

Now from the first Term, viz. Unity 1.0000000

Subtract the second Term — $\frac{A^2}{1.2} = \underline{\quad\quad\quad} 0.0001523$

There remains the Co-S. of 1 Deg. $= 0.9998477$
the same as in the Tables.

Example of the Tangent of one Degree.

The Log. of A^3 , as before, is — .47256316
 From which subtract the Log. of 3 = 0.4771212

There remains $\frac{A^3}{3} = 0.000001772 = .42485104$

Therefore to the first Term $A = 0.017453292$ &c.

Add the second Term — $\frac{A^3}{3} = 0.000001772$

The Sum is the Tang. of 1 Deg = 0.017455064

Hence 'tis manifest, that only the two first Terms in either of the Series are necessary for finding the Sines, Co-Sines, and Tangents, to 6 or 7 Places (which is as far as the Tables go) for all Arches not exceeding one Degree. But when the Arch is greater than one Degree, more Terms of the Series must be used. So that 4 Terms of the Series for Sines are necessary to find the Sine of 25 Degrees, true to but 6 Places of Figures. As will appear by the following Operation.

The Length of an Arch of 25 deg. } 0.43633226 &c.
 when the Radius is an Unit — is }

The Logarithm of which is — .96398172

Multiply that by — — — — — 3

The Product is the Log. of A^3 = .89194516
 From which subtract the Log. of 6 = 0.7781512

Rem. the 2d Ter. $\frac{A^3}{1.2.3.} = 0.01384523 = .81413004$

Again,

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Again, the Logarithm of A' is $\text{---} .8.1990860$
 From which sublt. the Log. of 120 $= 2.0791812$

Rem. the 3d Ter. $\frac{A'}{120} = 0.00013179 = \text{---} .6.1199048$

Lastly ; the Logarithm of A'' is $\text{---} .7.4787204$
 From which sublt. the Log. of 5040 $= 3.7024305$

Re. the 4th Ter. $\frac{A''}{5040} = 0.0000005974 = \text{---} .3.7762899$

Hence, if from the first Term $A = 0.43633226$

we subduct the second Term $\frac{A'}{6} = \text{---} 0.01384523$

and to the Remainder $A - \frac{A'}{6} = 0.42248703$

we add the third Term $\text{---} \frac{A'}{120} = 0.00013179$

and again from the Sum $A - \frac{A'}{6} + \frac{A'}{120} = 0.42261882$

we subtract the fourth Term $\frac{A''}{5040} = \text{---} 0.00000059$

The Remains the Sine of 25 Deg. $= 0.42261823$

But this *Newtonian* Series converging so very slowly when the Arch is of any considerable Length, and the more slowly, the greater the Arch is ; therefore the late learned Dr. *John Keil* devised other Series, similar to Sir *Isaac's*, in order to remedy the Deficiencies of that ; and in those Series of his

composing, he supposeth the Arch, whose Sine is sought, is the Sum or Difference of two known Arches, viz. A , and z ; that is, $A+z$, or $A-z$. And if the Sine of the Arch A be called a , and the Co-Sine b ; then the Sine of the Arch $A+z$ will be thus expressed;

$$1. \ a + \frac{bz}{1} - \frac{az^2}{1.2.} - \frac{bz^3}{1.2.3.} + \frac{az^4}{1.2.3.4.} + \frac{bz^5}{1.2.3.4.5.} \\ - \frac{bz^6}{1.2.3.4.5.6.} \text{ \&c. And the Co-Sine will be,}$$

$$2. \ b - \frac{az}{1} - \frac{bz^2}{1.2.} + \frac{az^3}{1.2.3.} + \frac{bz^4}{1.2.3.4.} - \frac{az^5}{1.2.3.4.5.} \\ - \frac{bz^6}{1.2.3.4.5.6.} \text{ \&c. In like Manner the Sine of} \\ \text{the Arch } A-z \text{ is}$$

$$3. \ a - \frac{bz}{1} - \frac{az^2}{1.2.} + \frac{bz^3}{1.2.3.} - \frac{az^4}{1.2.3.4.} + \frac{bz^5}{1.2.3.4.5.} \\ - \frac{az^6}{1.2.3.4.5.6.} \text{ \&c. And the Co-Sine thereof is}$$

$$4. \ b + \frac{az}{1} - \frac{bz^2}{1.2.} - \frac{az^3}{1.2.3.} + \frac{bz^4}{1.2.3.4.} + \frac{az^5}{1.2.3.4.5.} \\ - \frac{bz^6}{1.2.3.4.5.6.} \text{ \&c.}$$

Now,

Now, as all these Series easily flow from the *Newtonian* ones, so they may as easily be illustrated by *Theorem XXIV.* for, if (in the Scheme thereto) we put the Arch $BD=A$, and the Arch DF , or $DE=z$; then shall the Arch $BF=A+z$; and the Arch $BE=A-z$; and in the first and second Series, we have $a=DK$, and $b=CK$; and the whole first Series will be equal to FI (*viz.* the Sine of $A+z$;) and the whole second Series will be equal to CI (the Co-Sine of $A+z$.) Also in the third and fourth Series, we have a and b the same as before, and the whole third Series $=EL$; and the whole fourth Series $=CL$. And the Arch A is an Arithmetical Mean between the Arches $A+z$ and $A-z$, by *Corol. 1.* to that *Theorem.* And the Difference of the Sines of the Arches $A+z$ and A , is

$$5. \quad \frac{bz}{1} - \frac{az^2}{1.2.} - \frac{bz^3}{1.2.3.} + \frac{az^4}{1.2.3.4.} + \frac{bz^5}{1.2.3.4.5.}$$

$= \frac{az^6}{1.2.3.4.5.6.}$ &c. Also the Difference of the Arches A and $A-z$, is

$$6. \quad \frac{bz}{1} + \frac{az^2}{1.2.} - \frac{bz^3}{1.2.3.} - \frac{az^4}{1.2.3.4.} + \frac{bz^5}{1.2.3.4.5.}$$

$+ \frac{az^6}{1.2.3.4.5.6.}$ &c. Whence the Sum of those Differences, is

7112bx

$$7. \quad 2b \times \frac{z}{1} - \frac{z^3}{1.2.3.} + \frac{z^5}{1.2.3.4.5.} \text{ &c.} = FO_1 \times 2CK.$$

And the Difference of the Differences, or second Difference, is

$$8. \quad 2a \times \frac{z^2}{1.2.} - \frac{z^4}{1.2.3.4.} + \frac{z^6}{1.2.3.4.5.6.} \text{ &c.} = 2DK$$

$\times DO$; that is, equal to Double the Sine of the Mean Arch multiplied into a Versed Sine of the Arch z .

This second Difference therefore is found by a very easy Operation ; and having that, 'twill be as easy to find the Sines of all Arches distant from each other by equal Intervals.

But by the seventh Series, which is equal to Double of the Co-Sine of the Mean Arch drawn into the Sine of the Arch z , is the most easy and ready Method for finding the Arch $A+z$, or BF . The Application of these infinite Series is evident by a due Consideration of the aforesaid Scheme, let the several Arches be what Lengths they will, provided they be in Arithmetical Proportion.

The famous Mr. *Ward*, in his *Mathematician's Guide*, has proposed two Biquadratic adaffected Equations, by which the Sine of an Arch may be found, without the Help of any precedent Sine. But I conceive, were the Reader to compare the Operations by the foregoing Series, and by the Equations he has proposed, the Preference must needs be given to the former, as abundantly the most natural, simple, and easy, as well as expeditious ; and therefore I have not inserted them here : For, I purpose to impose on the young Student nothing that is not of the greatest Consequence, and very necessary for him to be acquainted withal.

The Construction of Sines, Tangents, &c. 63

But, tho' I have already shewn how, by having both the Sine and Co-Sine of any Arch given, to find the Tangent of that Arch. I shall now shew how, by two *Theorems*, to find the Tangent, when only the Sine or the Co-Sine is given.

In order to that, in Scheme to *Theorem XXV.* let Radius $AD=1$; the Sine $DE=z$; the Co-Sine $AE=b$; and the Tangent $CB=T$. Then by an easy Algebraic Process, we shall have the two following *Theorems*, viz.

If the Sine be given, then $\sqrt{\frac{aa}{1-aa}} = T$.

But if the Co-sine be given, then $\sqrt{\frac{1-bb}{bb}} = T$.

That is in Words, The Square Root of the Square of the Sine, divided by Unity, less the Square of the Sine, is equal to the Tangent. Or, the Square Root of Unity, less the Square of the Co-Sine, divided by the Square of the Co-Sine, is also equal to the Tangent.

By the Methods above deliver'd, a Table or Canon of Natural Sines, Tangents, and Secants for the Arches of every Minute and Degree of the Quadrant, is readily made or constructed. And farther, there is no Occasion to proceed; since a Quadrant contains all the Sines, Tangents and Secants, that can be form'd for any Arch of the Circle; for, as 'tis evident, we cannot speak of the Sine of an Arch greater than 180 Degrees, or a Semicircle, so 'tis as plain, that the Sine of any given Arch, is also the Sine of that Arches Complement to 180 Degrees; thus the Sine of 28 Deg. is also the Sine of 152 Deg. the Reason of which is obvious from the Definition of

of those Lines, and the Schemes thereto. And hence the Ambiguities attending the Solution of some Cases of Oblique Angled Plain Triangles; the Means of resolving which shall be taught in due Place.

Having a Table of Natural Sines, Tangents and Secants, constructed as has been taught, ready at Hand; we may thereby resolve all the Cases of Plain and Spherical Trigonometry, and several have taught the Art in no other Way. But as the Operations by Natural Numbers (which consist of several Places of Figures) were very operose and tedious, being large Multiplications and Divisions, so the Wit, Invention and Industry of Artists was undoubtedly often exercised to find out some other more easy and expeditious Methods of performing so general, necessary and useful a Part of Art. And at length the grand *Desideratum* appear'd, exceeding all their Wishes, in the Discovery of an Art (or rather, as I may call it, a Numerical Kind of Magick) noble as its Author, the wonderful Art of Logarithms, invented at first by the Lord *Neiper*, Baron of *Merchiston* in *Scotland*, and first published at *Edenburgh*, in the Year 1614.

By this most excellent Art, the elaborate Operations of Multiplication and Division are perform'd by Addition and Subtraction only of two Logarithmic Numbers, and consequently the whole Business of Trigonometry is wonderfully facilitated and expedited thereby. The Logarithms therefore of the Numbers expressing the Natural Sines, Tangents and Secants, being disposed into Tables, are called Artificial Sines, Tangents, &c. and with them we work now-a-days instead of the other. But, if any be not acquainted with the Use of Logarithms, they may compleatly learn it, after the best Manner, in my new System of *Decimal Arithmetic*.

C H A P.

C H A P. VI.


Of the Solution of the Six Cases of Right-angled Plain Triangles.

HAVING in the precedent Theorems fully exhibited the Rationale, or true Reason and Foundation of the whole Doctrine of *Plain Trigonometry*, and the Manner of Forming Analogies, or Proportions for practical Calculations ; I shall here present the Reader with a Synopsis, or General Scheme of the whole Doctrine of Right-angled Plain Triangles in one View ; And according to what is given, and what Side is made Radius in any Triangle, the several Proportions are exhibited for finding the *Quæsitæ* in particular Cases.

The Cases of Right-angled Plain Triangles are in Number Six : For, since all the Parts of a Triangle are but Six, *viz.* three Sides and three Angles ; and one of these, *viz.* the Right-Angle, is always known ; there can be but five of those Parts unknown ; and two of those being the two Acute Angles, which together are always equal to a Right Angle, or 90 Degrees, if one of them be known, the other must of Necessity, therefore both those Acute Angles can be reckoned no more than as one *Datum*, or *Quasitum*, which, with the three Sides, make but four Things in the Triangle unknown, and any two of which is sufficient (with the Right-Angle) to find the Rest. But the Combination of two Quantities in Four, are but Six. Therefore the Cases of Right-angled Trigonometry are but Six, which follow.

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The Six Cases.					
Parts fought.		Parts given.			
					
I.	AB, AC, BC	BC	$R : AB :: tB : AC$ $R : AB :: scB : BC$	$tC : AB :: R : AC$ $R : AC :: scC : BC$	
II.	AC, BC	AB	$tB : AC :: R : AB$ $R : AB :: scB : BC$	$R : AC :: tC : AB$ $R : AC :: scC : BC$	
III.	BC, AB	AC	$scB : BC :: R : AB$ $R : AB :: tB : AC$	$scC : BC :: tC : AB$ $tC : AB :: R : AC$	
IV.	AB, AC	BC	<i>Analogis caret.</i>		
V.	AB, BC	AC	$AB : R :: BC : scB$ $R : AB :: tB : AC$	<i>Analogis caret.</i>	
VI.	AC, BC	AB	$AC : R :: BC : scC$ $R : AC :: tC : AB$		

The Solution of Right-angled Triangles. 67

In this Synopsis tis manifest that when two Sides of a Triangle are given, tis necessary to make one of them Radius in order to work by Proportions, or solve the Case by Sines, Tangents, and Secants; as appears in the IV Case of the first Triangle, the V Case of the 3d, and VI Case of the 2d Triangle, where there is wrote, *Analogiis caret, i. e.* It wanteth Proportions.

Now to the Solution of the foregoing Cases, in Order to which divers Methods may be used, as Occasion or Necessity shall require. Some of which are most General, extending to all the Cases of all kind of Triangles, others are particular; some are most exact and accurate, others more uncertain, and near the Truth only: Some are performed by Numbers only, some by Numbers and Species; and others by Instruments of several Kinds. The principal Methods for resolving the several Cases of Triangles are those which follow:

Method I. By Logarithmic Sines, Tangents, and Secants.

Method II. By Natural Sines, Tangents and Secants.

Method III. By the Trigonometrical sliding Scale.

Method IV. By Gunter's Trigonometrical Scale, and Compasses.

Method V. By the Sector.

Method VI. By Geometrical Construction.

Method VII. and VIII. By the Practical Trigon, and Sinical Quadrant.

Method IX. By Natural Arithmetic.

Method X. By Algebra, or Analytical Investigation.

Of all those Methods, the First is most accurate, easy, and expeditious; and should be always used by the Young Trigonometrer, when ever they can. It will not, I presume, be unacceptable to those Young and Ingenious Students who desire a thorough Knowledge in this most comprehensive and useful Part (or

rather, Summary) of the Mathematicks, to have those several Methods above-mention'd exemplified in such Cases wherein each Method is more particularly necessary; and this will be, to the apprehensive Youth, as sufficient, as if every Case in every Triangle were treated in every particular Method it was capable of; which would of it self make a large Volume.

In order that the Young Trigonometer may proceed with Clearness and Certainty, I shall lay down the following Precepts, which he must carefully observe in his Operations, especially those which are wrote by Analogy.

Precept I. In forming you Analogies, you must always compare opposite Sides to opposite Angles; and *contra*.

Precept II. When a Side is required, you must begin with an Angle; and when an Angle is sought, begin with a Side.

Precept III. When the Hypothenuse is given, you must work with the Sine or Co-Sine according as the Side sought, is opposite or adjacent to the given Angle.

Precept IV. When the Hypothenuse is not known, you must work with Tangents and Co-Tangents, or with Secants; according as the Side is opposite or adjacent to the Angle.

Precept V. Consider, that there is in the Tables of Sines, Tangents, &c. a Triangle exactly similar to the Triangle you are to solve; and whose Sides expressed in the Tables, are in the very same Proportion as those of the Triangle proposed.

Precept VI. Therefore (by *Theorem XV.*) you must say, As the Length of any one Side, in Inches, Yards, Miles, &c. of the tabular Triangle is to a similar Side of the same Measure in your Triangle; So is any other Side of the tabular Triangle, to the similar

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similar Side sought in your given Triangle; which Sides must be properly expressed by *Precept 3. 4.*

Precept VII. When you are to use the Tables of Logarithms, if it be for the Logarithm of a Common Number, which in the Tables proceed from 1 to 1000, look in the Column under the Letter N, for the given Number, and right against it in the Column under the Word *Logarith.* you find its Logarithm: Thus, against the natural Number 2165 you find its Logarithm, 3.3354579.

Precept VIII. If you are to find the Logarithm of any Sine, Tangent, or Secant of any Angle; seek, in the Canon of Artificial Sines, Tangents, &c. for the Degrees on the Top of the Page, and the Minutes in the first Left-hand Column downward under the Letter M; if the Degrees be under 45° . thus against $25^{\circ} 47'$ you find the Logarithm of the Sine (under the Word *Log. Sinus*) to be 9.6384585, and the Tangent (under the Word *Log. Tang.*) to be 9.6840011.

Precept IX. If your Degrees be more than 45° , you must seek the Degrees at the Bottom of the Page, and the Minutes in the Right-hand Column upwards; and thus against $57^{\circ} 35'$ you find the Sine (under *Log. Sinus*) to be 9.9264310; and the Tangent (under *Log. Tang.*) to be 10.1972075. After the same manner, the Natural Sines, Tangents, &c. are to be found.

Precept X. If the Table of Logarithmic Sines and Tangents contain also Logarithmic Secants, they are to be found as before directed for Sines and Tangents. But because few Tables do, you must, in Case they are wanting, proceed after this Manner; From double the *Log. Radius*, (which is always 20.0000000) subtract the *Log. Co-Sine*, the *Log. Secant* will remain. *Example of $57^{\circ} 35'$.*

Thus



Thus from the Double Radius ————— 20.0000000

Subtract the Log. Co-Sine of $57^{\circ} 35'$ — 9.7292234

There remains (by *Theo.* XVIII.) the } = 10.2707766
Co-Secant thereof —————

Precept XI. If you have a Logarithm, and would find the Number; or if it be the Logarithm of a Sine, Tangent, &c. and you would find the Degrees and Minutes answer thereto; proceed with the Logarithm to the Table, and take either the Number, or the Degrees and Minutes which stand against the Logarithm next less than yours. Thus against the Logarithm next less to 2.8853912 I find the Number 768; and against the Logarithmic Sine next less than 9.9652379 I find $67^{\circ} 22'$.

Note. The Places of Figures in the Number sought, must be always one more than the Index of the Logarithm.

Precept XII. In your Operations, if Radius be the first Term in your Proportions, you perform then by Addition only; which may also be done in any other Case; if instead of the first Term, you put its Arithmetical Complement (which is nothing but its Complement to 10.0000000) then add all the three Terms together, and the Sum (rejecting Radius) is the fourth Term which is sought. The Arithmetic Complement is most easily had, by mentally subtracting each Figure of the Log. from Nine, and the last from Ten; beginning from the Left-hand, thus the Arithmetic Complement of the Logarithm 4.5882892 is 5.4117108, and 'tis most ingenious to work this way, as well as most expeditious.

These twelve *Precepts* must be well imprinted in the Memory of all who would be ready and dexterous in this most excellent Art. Now to the Matter in Hand directly, *viz.* The Resolution of Triangles according to various Methods above-mentioned.

C H A P. VII.

Of the First Method of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles, by Artificial Sines, Tangents and Secants.

IT will be sufficient to exemplify and illustrate this and some other Methods, in the Solution of the first Case only; since by making each Side Radius therein all the Variety of Proportions by Sines, Tangents and Secants, will come into Use, as is evident in the Synopsis.

And in order to make the whole Affair plain and evident to the young and untaught Faculties of *Tyro's*, I shall proceed in an unusual Manner, and by a new kind of Scheme, whereby the Reason of every Part of the Operation will be obvious, and easy to be understood

The Scheme is a Quadrant of a Circle, in which is described a Triangle, consisting partly of black and partly of dotted Lines, viz. *aBc*, the very small Part thereof terminated by black Lines, viz. *ABC*, represents the Triangle given to be resolv'd, and is like or similar to first Great One, which may be call'd the Original, or Tabular Triangle; because all the dotted Part represents that which is contain'd in the Tables. And because every Side of the Original or Tabular Triangle is known in the Tables, and the given One in every Part similar thereto, therefore the *Quæsitæ* of the proposed Triangle is found by such Analogy or Proportion; as *per Theor. XV. and Precept V.*

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The Sides of the Original Triangles are computed in such Parts as the Radius consists of 10000000000, the Logarithm of which Number 10.00000000, as in the Table. Accordingly the other Sides, as they are Sines or Tangents, consists of less or more of those Parts; and the Judicies of their Logarithms are less or greater likewise.

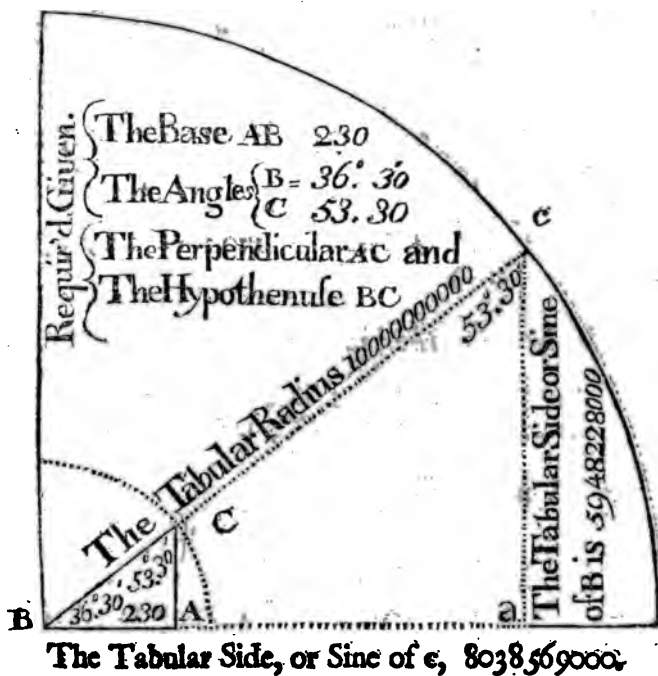
But notwithstanding the Sides of the Original Triangle are calculated to Eight, Nine, Ten, &c. Places of Figures, for which Number of Places also the Logarithms are made and fitted; yet because in working Proportions the Truth may be attained to, with a sufficient Exactness, by a lesser Number of Figures, therefore the Natural Numbers in the Tables exceed not Seven or Eight Places in general.

And therefore (for *Example*) when in the Artificial Canon, you see the Log. Sine $36^{\circ} 30'$ to be 9.7743876; whose Index being 9, shews its Natural Number to consist of Ten Places; but yet in the Natural Canon, you find only the Number 5948228 to express that Sine, which Number hath but Seven Places; therefore the three deficient Places must be supplied by Cyphers, and then the Number will be 5948228000, compleat in Number of Places, though defective in its Figures or Value, yet sufficient for Use.

These Things premised display the whole Nature and Mystery of Trigonometrical Calculation; to which I now proceed.

Method I. By the Logarithmic Canon. 73

Case I. The Hypotenuse made Radius.
Triangle L



The Tabular Side, or Sine of c, 8038569000

The Analogy for the Perpendicular AC.

As $sC : AB :: sB : AC$, in the foregoing Syn.
That is, As $ab : AB :: ac : AC$, in the Scheme, by
Theorem XV.

In Words thus;

As the Tabular Side, or Sine of c 53' 30", in the Original Trian.	} viz. aB=8038569000=9.9051787	Logarithms
Is to the Side or Sine of C=c, in the given Tri.		AB = 230 = 2.3617278
So is the Tabular Side, or Sine of B 36' 30" in the Orig. Triangle	} ac = 5948228000 = 9.7743876	12.1361154
To the Side or Sine of B, in the given Tri		AC = 170,2 = 2.2309367

The Analogy for the Side BC, or Hypothenufe.

As sB : AC :: R : BC. That is,
As ac : AC :: Bc : BC, in the Scheme.

In Words,

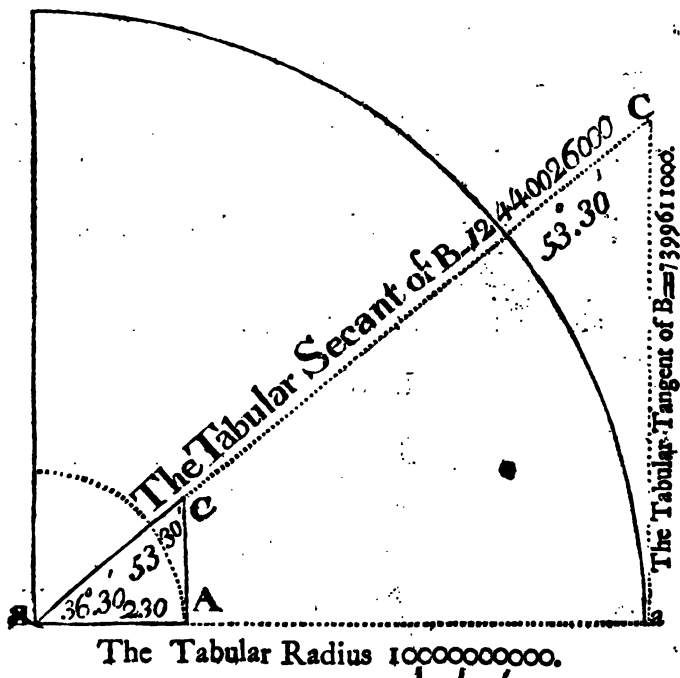
As the Tabular Side or Sine of B 36' 30" in the Orig. Trian.	} ac = 5948228800 = 9.7743876	
Is to the Side or Sine of B, in the given Triangle.		AC = 170,2 = 2.2309367
So is the Tabular Radius	} Bc = 10000000000 = 10.0000000	
To the Hypothenufe made Radius, in the given Triang.		BC = 286,1 = 2.4565491

Thus the Measures of the Sides AC and BC, of the given Triangle, are found by Sines, or Proportion of Sides so call'd, in either Triangle; and by the same *Data*, the same Sides are to be found by Tangents and Secants. thus;

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Cafe I. *The Base made Radius.*

Triangle II.



The Analogy for the Perpendicular AC.

As R : AB :: tB : AC. That is,
As aB : AB :: ac : AC, in the Scheme.

In Words,

Logarithms

As the Tabular Radius ———	}	aB = 10000000000 = 10.0000000
Is to the Base, made Radius —		AB = 230 = 2.3617278
So is the Tabular Tangent of B =	}	ac = 7399611000 = 9.8692089
36' 30". ———		
To the Tangent Perpendicular —	}	AC = 170.2 = 2.2309367

The Analogy for the Hypothenufe BC.

As R : AB :: scB : BC. That is,
As aB : AB :: Bc : BC, in the Scheme.

In Words,

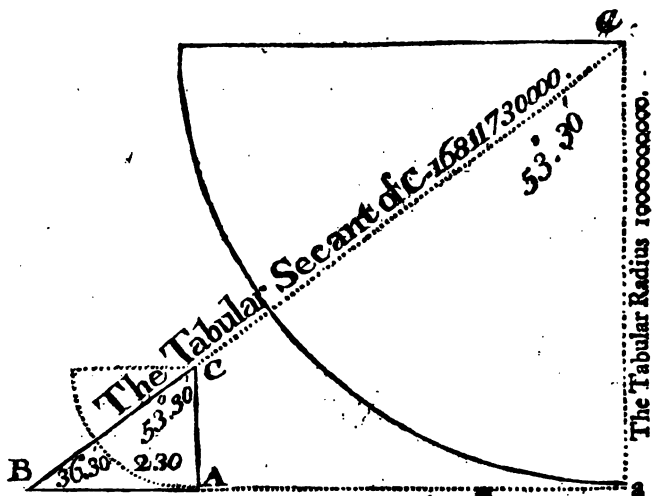
As the Tabular Radius ———	}	ab = 10000000000 = 10.0000000
Is to the Base made Radius —		AB = 230 = 2.3617278
So is the Tabular Secant of B =	}	BC = 12440026000 = 10.0948213
36' 30". ———		
To the Secant Hypothenufe —	}	BC = 286.1 = 2.4565491

Thus the Dimensions of the same Sides are found by the Proportions of Tangents and Secants, as was before found by Sines ; the same thing will happen when the Perpendicular is made Radius ; as in the following Scheme.

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Case I. Perpendicular made Radius.

Triangle III.



The Tabular Tangent of c = 13514224000.

The Analogy for the Perpendicular AC.

As tC : AB :: R : AC. That is,
As aB : AB :: ac : AC, in the Scheme.

In Words,

Logarithms

As Tabular Tang. of c = 53° 30'	} aB = 13514224000 = 10.1307911	
Is to the Tangent		
Base —————	} AB = 230 = 2.3617278	
So is the Tabular Radius —————		
To Radius Perpend. AC =	ac = 10000000000 = 10.0000000	
	170,2 = 2.2309367	The

The Analogy for the Hypothenuſe BC.

As R : AC :: ſcC : BC. That is,
As ac : AC :: Bc : BC, in the Scheme.

In Words,

As the Tabular	}	ac=10000000000=10.0000000
Radius ———		
Is to Radius Per-	}	AC = 1792,2 = 2.2309367
pendicular ———		
So is the Tabular	}	Bc=16811730000=10.2256124
Secant of c = 53'		
30°. ———	}	BC=286,1 = 2.4565491
To the Secant Hyp. BC=		

Thus the Young Trigonometrer may ſee the Harmony and Agreement of all the various Ways of working by *Sines*, *Tangents* and *Secants*; the ſame Conclufions reſulting equally from each particular Method.

The *Logarithm Secants* (if not in your Tables) may be found as directed in *Precept X.* But Proportions by Secants are ſeldom neceſſary, eſpecially to the Skillful; and I have only given Example thereof, for Variety and Example's ſake.

I ſaid before, that having illuſtrated the Firſt Caſe of *Plain Right-angled Triangles*, in all the Variety of Methods and Analogies, it would be needleſs to do any more; the other Caſes in the foregoing Synopſis being wrought after a like Manner, and their Proportions being there ſpecified, muſt of Courſe be eaſy to thoſe who underſtand this firſt Caſe; eſpecially as I have now explained and exemplified it by a new and moſt demonſtrative Method.

C H A P. VIII.

Of the Second Method of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles, by Natural Sines, Tangents and Secants.

THIS Method though first in Nature and Use; I have here placed Second in Order; the Reason why *Logarithmic Calculation* is allowed Priority of Order has been already assign'd; and the Reason why the Method by *Natural Sines, Tangents, &c.* has Precedence of other more useful Methods which follow, is on Account of its being the Original, most Natural, and the Foundation of most others

This Chapter cannot be so generally Useful as the foregoing, by Reason this Method of *Natural Sines, &c.* is now grown obsolete and unused by any Persons, excepting only such as either have not any Table of *Artificial Sines, Tangents*, or else knows not how to use them; and for their Sakes I shall illustrate this Method by all the Varieties of *Sines, Tangents and Secants*, in the Resolution of the First Case of *Right-angled Triangles*, as in the last Chapter.

The Schemes and Analogies there used, will likewise serve here; the Natural Numbers (without the additional Cyphers) as they are taken from the Tables, are here only used.

Case I. Scheme I.

The Hypotenuse made Radius.

$$\text{Given } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{The Base } AB = 230 \\ \text{The Ang. } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} B = 36^\circ 30' \\ C = 53^\circ 30' \end{array} \right\} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Req. the} \\ \text{Perpend. AC.} \\ \text{and} \\ \text{Hypoth. BC.} \end{array}$$

The Analogy for the Perpendicular AC.

As $sC : AB :: sB : AC$, in the Synopsis.
That is, As $sB : AB :: ac : AC$, in the Scheme.

The same in Numbers, with the Operation.

$$\text{As } 8038569 : 230 :: 5948228 : 170,178, \&c.$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 230 \\ \hline 178446840 \\ 11896456 \\ \hline 8038569 \cdot 1368092440 \quad (170,178, \&c. = AC. \\ 8038569 \\ \hline 56413554 \\ 56269983 \\ \hline \cdot 1435610.0 \\ 8038569 \\ \hline \cdot 63175310 \\ 56269983 \\ \hline \cdot 69053270 \\ 64308552 \\ \hline 4744718 \end{array}$$

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The Analogy for the Hypothenufe BC.

As $aB : AC :: R : BC$, in the Synopsis.
 As $ac : AC :: Bc : BC$, in the Scheme.

The same in Numbers ; with the Operation.

As 5948228 : 170.178 :: 10000000 : 286.08, &c.
 100 00000

5948228) 1701780000 . 286.08, &c. = BC.
 11896456

51203440
 47585824
 36176160
 35689368
 48679200
 47585824
 1093376

The Dimensions of the Sides of the Triangle, are by this Method found to be the same as by the last, very nearly ; For if great Exactness be required, or many Places of Decimals, 'twill be surest and safest, sometimes, to work by this Method of Natural Numbers.

The Base made Radius ; Scheme II.

The Analogy for AC.

As $R : AB :: tB : AC$. That is,
 As $aB : AB :: ac : AC$, in the Scheme.

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The same in Numbers; with the Operation.

As 10000000 : 230 :: 7399611 : 170.19, &c.

$$\begin{array}{r} 221988330 \\ 14799222 \end{array}$$

10000000) 1701910530 (170.19, &c.=AC.

The Analogy for BC.

As R : AB :: scB : BC. That is,
As aB : AB :: cB : BC, in the Scheme.

The same in Numbers; with the Operation.

As 10000000 : 230 :: 12440026 : 286.12, &c.

$$\begin{array}{r} 373200780 \\ 24880052 \end{array}$$

10000000) 2861205980 (286.12, &c.=BC.

The Perpendicular made Radius. Scheme III.

The Analogy for AC.

As tC : AB :: R : AC. That is,
As aB : AB :: ac : AC, in the Scheme.

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Method II. By Natural Sines, Tang. &c. 83

The same in Numbers; with the Operation.

As 13514224 : 230 :: 10000000 : 170.19, &c.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \quad \quad \quad 230 \\
 \hline
 13514224) \quad 2300000000 \quad (170.19, \&c. = AC. \\
 \underline{13514224} \\
 94857760 \\
 94599568 \\
 \hline
 25819200 \\
 13514224 \\
 \hline
 123049760 \\
 121628016 \\
 \hline
 1421744
 \end{array}$$

The Analogy for BC.

As R : AC :: scC : BC. That is,
 As ac : AC :: Bc : BC, in the Scheme.

The same in Numbers; with the Operation.

As 10000000 : 170.191, &c. :: 16811730 : 286.12, &c.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \quad \quad \quad 170.191 \\
 \hline
 \quad \quad 16811730 \\
 \quad \quad 15130557 \\
 \quad \quad 1681173 \\
 \quad \quad 117682110 \\
 \quad \quad 1681173 \\
 \hline
 10000000) \quad 286.1205140430 \quad (286.12, \&c. \quad [= BC.
 \end{array}$$

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Thus is the First Case, in all its Varieties, resolved by the *Method of Natural Numbers*; and after this manner may all the other Cases be resolved; there being nothing new or different therein from what is here done.

And, as I have hinted before, this Method may in some Cases be more preferable than the foregoing by *Logarithms*; for though that be most expedite and easy, yet this gives the Answer with greatest Exactness; especially where the Numbers of the given Triangle be large, and the Decimal Parts required to 4 or 5 Places, which sometimes does happen.

It must be observed also, that when Radius is the First Term in the *Analogy*, the Solution will be most exact, and the Operation more easy; as may be seen in *Scheme II* and *III*.



CH A P. IX.

*Of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles
by the Third Method, viz. by the Tri-
gonometrical Sliding-Rule.*

THIS *Third Method* by the *Sliding Rule* is the most ready and practical Way of any; and is for the most part pretty exact; though when the Quantity of the Angle (of which you use the Sine or Tangent) exceeds 40 or 50 Degrees; then great Exactness must not be expected by the common sized Rule, which is a Foot long. But the longer the Rule is, the better or more exact and useful it will be

be of Consequence ; and where much Practice in Trigonometry happens, it may be worth while to have one made 4, 5, or 6 Feet long.

A Description of the Sliding Rule.

This Rule, as I have said, is generally about 12 Inches in Length, and does consist of two Parts, *viz.* a fixed and a moveable Part or Slider ; on each of which are certain graduated Lines, serving for divers Purposes ; As 1. A Line of Inch Measure on one of the Edges. 2. A Line of Equal Parts, marked at the Beginning *EP*. 3. Adjoined to that, a Line of Meridional Parts, for graduating *Mercator's Chart*, marked *M*. 4. A Line of Leagues, marked *Leag.* and, 5. A Line of Longitudes fitted thereto, marked *M. Lon.* 6. A Line of Rhumbs fitted thereto. 7. A Line of Chords, the one marked *R.* the other *C.* The four Lines last mentioned, serve to the Uses of Navigation. 8. On the other Side the Rule, on one Extremity is another Line of Inches ; and, 9. On the other Extremity, a Line of the same Length, graduated into 100 equal Parts ; by means of these two Lines, is given by Inspection, the Decimal Parts answering to any Number of Inches and Parts of an Inch. 10. On one Side the Rule, on each Side the Grove, is placed a Line of Numbers, or *Gunter's Line*, marked *N*. 11. On the other Side the Rule, on one Side the Grove, is a Line of Sines, marked *S*. 12. On the other Side the Grove, is a Line of Tangents, marked *T*. 13. On one of the Slider or moveable Piece, is a Line of Sines ; and, 14. A Line of Tangents, both marked as before. 15. On the other Side the Slider, is a Line of Numbers ; and, 16. A Line of Rumb-Sines ; and these Lines I have now described are all that are usually put on the *Sliding Rule*, of
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Of all those Lines, the *Lines of Numbers*, *Sines* and *Tangents*, are the only ones used in solving a *Plain Triangle*; and because it will not a little conduce to form a right Notion of using them, I shall hint a Word or two concerning their Make and Construction: The *Line of Numbers* is Nothing but the *Logarithms* of the *Natural Numbers*, taken out of the Tables and laid on the Line, not regarding the Indices of the *Logarithms*. Thus for the greater Divisions of the said Line, *viz.* from 1 to 10; the *Logarithms* to be taken from a Scale of equal Parts, for each Division on the Line, stand thus,

<i>Divisions</i>	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
<i>Logarithms</i>	.301	.477	.602	.698	.778	.845	.903	.954

For the lesser Divisions between 1 & 2, 2 & 3, &c. thus,

<i>Division</i>	1.1.	1.2, &c.	2.1	2.2, &c.	3.1	3.2 } &c.
<i>Logarith.</i>	.041	.079, &c.	.322	.342, &c.	.491	.505

This Construction of the Line of Numbers being very well understood, as I presume it easily may; the Construction also of the Lines of Sines and Tangents on the Rule is thence sufficiently evident; for since the Artificial Sines and Tangents are but the Logarithms of the Natural Numbers expressing the same Things, therefore it follows, that those Artificial Sines and Tangents, in the Manner before taught, may be laid down on the Scale, and there form the Lines we now speak of. And which I doubt not but the ingenious Young Trigonometer will esteem it only his Diversion to do.

The Description, Nature and Construction of these Lines, being thus premised, will make the Directions for their Use the shorter, and Reason thereof most plain and obvious. From hence also it appears that both the preceeding Methods, are in Substance, the same

same with this, in a diverse Manner apply'd: But whereas in them Exactness is the greatest Thing to be looked to, so Ease and Expedition are the chief Properties of this *Third Method by the Sliding Rule.*

One Thing I must not omit, and that is, to acquaint the young Reader, that as there is no Line of Secants on the Rule, so he must always observe to frame such Proportions as admit of only Sines and Tangents, when he works by the *Sliding Rule*; for as there is seldom any Necessity for using Secants, so there is very rarely any Occasion for them; and when there is, I shall shew a Means to resolve it by the Rule nevertheless.

In order to perform Operations by the *Sliding Rule*, I shall call that Line of Numbers on the Rule it self A, but that Line on the Slider B; also I call the Line of Sines on the Rule F, and that on the Slider S. Also *Note*; That the End of each Line, viz. of Sines and Tangents, at 90° in the one, and at 45° in the other, is Radius in Analogies wrought this way.

Here also the foregoing Schemes and Analogies are to be used, and needs not either of them to be here again repeated; the manner of operating the first Case in each Scheme by the Line of Artificial Sines and Tangents now follow.

Case I. Scheme I. To find the Perpendicular AC.

Direction I. Cause the Line of Sines to slide by each other, on one Side the Rule; then will the Lines of Numbers do so on the other Side. II. Set $53^\circ 30'$ on S, to $36^\circ 30'$ on F; then, III. Look on the other Side, and against 230 on B, is 170.19, &c. on A, the Length of AC, as before.

To find the Hypothenuſe BC.

Direct. I. The Rule and Slider being the ſame as before, Set $36^{\circ} 30'$ on S, to Radius (*viz.* 90°) on F; II. Then on the other Side, againſt 170.19, &c. on A, is 286.12, &c. on B, the Length of BC, as before.

To reſolve this Caſe by once ſetting the Rule.

Direct. I. Cauſe the Line of Sines, to ſlide by the Line of Numbers. II. Set $53^{\circ} 30'$ on S, to 230 on A; then againſt $36^{\circ} 30'$ on S, is 170.19, &c. on A, for the Perpendicular, and againſt Radius (or 90°) on S, is 286.12, &c. on A for the Hypothenuſe. The Reader need not be told that this laſt Way, at once Setting the Rule is much the eaſieſt, beſt, and moſt obvious.

Caſe I. Scheme II. To find the Perpendicular AC.

Direction I. Set the Rule ſo that the two Tangent-Lines may ſlide by each other; II. Set Radius or Tangent of 45° on the Slider, to the Tangent of $36^{\circ} 30'$ on the Rule; then, III. On the other Side the Rule, againſt 230 on B, is 170.19, &c. on A, for the Length of AC.

Otherways thus,

Direct. I. Make a Tangent-Line and a Line of Numbers ſlide together; then, II. Set Radius (or 45°) to 230 on the Line of Numbers, then againſt the Tangent of $36^{\circ} 30'$ is 170.19, &c. as before.

Note, The other Proportion for the Hypothenuſe BC, containing a Secant, is to be ſolved by a particular Method of the Rule by and by. Caſe

Case I. Scheme III. To find AC.

Direct. I. In this, and all other Cases, when the Quantity of the Angle exceeds 45° , the Learner must observe that on the Tangent Line, the Degrees are number'd from thence back again in smaller Figures; and that these being only the Complements of the other (number'd back in an inverse Order to them,) 'tis manifest that the Slider must be set in the same Place for the Tangent, as for the Co-Tangent; and consequently the Operation the same in all Respects as before, viz. in Scheme II; only, if Radius be on the Slider, the Answer will be on the Line of Numbers A, & *e contra*. when the two Lines of Tangents slide together,

Note; This Proportion cannot be solved by the Line of Tangents and Numbers sliding together; unless if when you set the Tangent of $53^\circ 30'$, to 230 on A, you look as far to the Left of 230 as Radius or 45° is to the Right of it; for there you will see 170.19, &c. For had the Line of Tangents been continued directly forwards, this Proportion might have been solved this Way, as well as the last.

Case IV. Scheme II. To find the Angle B.

Direction I. Let Lines of Tangents slide by each other. II. On the Side on which are the Lines of Numbers, set 230 on B, to 170.19 on A; (as the Analogy in the Synopsis directs.) III. And then on the other Side the Rule, against Radius or Tangent of 45° , you find the Tangent of $36^\circ 30'$, the Quantity of the Angle B, required.

Note, The second Way by making Tangents and Numbers slide by one another, is only the Reverse of Case I. Scheme II. and so affords no real Variety;

the same may be said of the next Analogy, or *Scheme III* of this present *Case IV*. Therefore I proceed to instance next in

Case V. Scheme I. To find the Angle C.

Direction I. Make the two Lines of Sines, and the two Lines of Numbers, slide together. *II.* Set 286.12 on A, to 230 on B; then, *III.* On the other Side, against Radius or 90° on F, is the Sine of 53° 30' on S, the Quantity of the Angle C, as was required.

The Second Way,

Direct. I. Let the Line of Sines slide by a Line of Numbers; then, *II.* Set 286.12 on A, to the Radius or Sine of 90°; then against 230 on A, is the Sine of 53° 30' on S; as before.

These *Cases* and *Analogies*, which I have hitherto exemplified, contain all the different Ways of using the *Sliding Rule*, that at present I am apprehensive of; and am fully assured that any one who understands what has been here said, cannot avoid being able to use the Rule readily on any Occasion whatsoever.

As those Instruments I have now shewn the Use of, are not so very common, as those Rules used by Mechanics, on which are the same Lines of Numbers, but not of Sines and Tangents; and as those Persons do not generally (indeed but very rarely) understand the Use of Logarithms, or Trigonometrical Calculations thereby; and lastly, because 'tis easy for them to have and to understand the Table of Natural Sines, Tangents and Secants; I cannot but think 'twill be acceptable to such, to shew how by the common Sliding Rule and a Table of Natural Sines,
Tangents

Tangents and Secants, any Triangle may be solved, with considerable Exactness.

To do this, is no more than to work the Operations by the Sliding Gunter, which in the last Chapter were wrought Arithmetically. In order to this, it must be observed that though the Sine, Tangent or Secant in the Table is expressed by many Figures, yet working by the Sliding Rule, 3 or 4 of the first Figures of those large Numbers are sufficient. For Instance, the Sine of $36^{\circ} 30'$ is 5948228; the Tangent is 7399611; the Secant is 12440026; But 594, 739, and 1244, will suffice for mechanick Purposes wrought by the common Gunter; and by this means Secants may be as well used by the Sliding Rule as Sines and Tangents. I shall illustrate the First Case in all its Variety of Proportions this Way.

Case I. Scheme I. To find the Perpendicular AC.

The Analogy for this, in the last Chapter, in Numbers stands thus; $8038569 : 230 :: 5948228 : \text{the Side AC.}$

But this Analogy, for the Rule, may be thus contracted;

As $803 : 230 :: 594 : \text{the Side AC.}$ Therefore,
Set 803 on A, to 230 on B; then against 594 on A,
is 170.19, &c. on B, the Length of the Side AC.

To find the Hypothenuse BC.

The Analogy in the tabular Numbers stand thus;
As $5948228 : 170.19, \&c. :: 1000000 : \text{the Side BC.}$
Contracted thus; $594 : 170.19 :: 1000 : \text{the Side BC.}$
Therefore by the Rule; Set 594 on A, to 170.19 on B;
then against Radius (or 1000, on the End of A.)
is 286.12 on B, the Length of the Side BC.

Case I. Scheme II. *To find the Perpendicular AC.*

The tabular Analogy, is $10000000 : 230 :: 7399611$
: to the Side AC.

Contracted for the Rule thus, $1000 : 230 :: 739$:
to the said Side.

Therefore, Set Radius on A, to 230 on B, then a-
gainst 739 on A, is 170.19 on B, the Answer.

To find the Hypothenufe BC.

The tabular Analogy is $10000000 : 230 :: 12440026$
: the Side BC.

Contracted for the Rule thus, $1000 : 230 :: 1244$
: to the Side BC.

Therefore, Set the first Radius of the Double Line
on A, to 230 on B; then against 1244 on A, is
286.12 on B, the Length of the Hypothenufe re-
quired.

Case I. Scheme III. *To find the Perpend. AC.*

The tabular Analogy is $13514224 : 230 :: 1000000$
: to AC.

That is, Contracted, $1351 : 230 :: 1000$: to the
said Side.

Wherefore, Set the first, 1351 on A, to 230 on B;
then against 1000 on A, is 170.19 on B, = Length
of AC.

To find the Hypothenufe BC.

The tabular Analogy $10000000 : 170.19 :: 16811730$
: to BC.

The same Contracted, $1000 : 170.19 :: 1681$: to
the said Side.

Now, Set 1000 on A, to 170.19 on B; then against
1681 on A, is 286.12 on B; the Length of the
Side BC. From

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From what I have here said concerning this Case I. 'twill be very easy, in the same Manner, to solve any of the other following Cases; which therefore I leave to the young Learner's Exercise and Diversion.

Hence 'tis manifest this most excellent Art might be much more generally understood, and used not only by Scholars, but by every common Trader, Artificer or Husband Man, by the cheap and easy Means of a Table of *Natural Sines, Tangents* and *Secants*, and a common *Sliding Rule*.

And I am strangely surpris'd at the supine and stupid Indolency of many young Persons, who have (and might have by good Husbandry) Time enough on their Hands, Money enough in their Pockets, and Intellects enough in their Heads, yet notwithstanding this, will expend neither in the Study of this, or any other Noble Art, or Part of Mathematical Learning; which would in so most agreeable a Manner, enoble their Nature; enrich their Minds; and elevate them above, and rescue their Reputations from the rude and barbarous Vulgar. Instead of which they idly chuse to bury their Talents, and wretchedly live, and ignominiously die without Remembrance.

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### C H A P. X.

*Of the Fourth Method of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles, by Gunter's Scale and Compasses.*

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**T**HIS celebrated Line of *Artificial Numbers*, (whose Construction and its Use on the *Sliding Rule*, were shewn in the last Chapter) first received  
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its Name and Being, from the famous Professor of Geometry at *Gresham College*, Mr *Gunter*; of whom it has been commonly called *Gunter's Line*, *Gunter's Scale*, or simply, *The Gunter*: But what I here call *Gunter's Scale*, is a Line of Artificial Numbers, Sines and Tangents, laid down on a Plain Scale or Rule, and are unmoveable.

On this Scale, the same Things are performed by the Compasses, as on the Sliding Scale or Rule, by the Sliding Piece, and the whole Method depends on this easy

### General Rule.

Set one Foot of the Compasses in the first Term of the Analogy, (be it Number, Sine or Tangent,) and extend the other Foot (to the Right or Left) 'till it fall on the Term of the Analogy that is with the same Kind with it self (whether it be the Second or Third); and that Extent of the Compasses will reach from the remaining Term) the same Way as before) to the fourth Term or Answer.

The same Things, or the same Schemes and Analogies are to be here used, as before, in solving the first Case.

#### Case I. Scheme I. To find the Perpendicular AC.

Set one Foot of the Compasses in the Sine of  $53^{\circ} 30'$ , and extend the other to the Sine of  $36^{\circ} 30'$ ; then that Extent will reach from 230 to 170.19, in the Line of Numbers, and is the Answer.

#### To find the Hypothenufe BC.

Set one Foot in the Sine of  $36^{\circ} 30'$ , and extend the other to Radius or  $90^{\circ}$ ; then that Extent will reach from 170.19 to 286.12, in the Line of Numbers for Answer.

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**Case I. Scheme II. To find the Perpendicular AC.**

Set one Foot of the Compasses in the Tangent Radius or  $45^\circ$ ; and extend the other to the Tangent of  $36^\circ 30'$ ; that Extent in the Line of Numbers will reach from 230 to 170.19 = AC, as before.

*To find the Hypothenufe BC.*

*Note,* That because (as I have said before) there is no Line of Artificial Secants, and this Analogy containing a Secant, it can only be solved by the Line of Numbers with the Compasses here, as with the same Line and Slider in the foregoing Chapter, from the Natural Numbers in the Table. Therefore set one Foot in Radius 1000, and extend the other to 230; then that Extent will reach from 1244 to 286.12 = BC, as required.

**Case I. Scheme III. To find the Perpend. AC.**

Set one Foot of the Compasses in the Tangent of  $53^\circ 30'$ , and extend the other to Radius or 45; then in the Line of Numbers that Extent will reach from 230 to 170.19 = AC, as before.

*To find the Hypothenufe BC.*

Because this Analogy is here also by Secants, therefore by the Line of Numbers, from the Natural Numbers of the Table, do as before taught; Set 1000 to 170.19; that Extent will reach from 1681 to 286.12 = BC, the Side sought.

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Case IV. Scheme II. *To find the Angle B.*

In the Line of Numbers, set one Foot in 230, and extend the other to 170.19; then in the Tangent Line, that Extent will reach from Radius or  $45^\circ$ , to  $36^\circ 30'$ , which is the Tangent of the Angle B.

*Note*, The Side BC is to be found by the Line of Numbers, &c. as directed in the *First Case*, Scheme II. III.

Case IV. Scheme III. *To find the Angle C.*

In the Line of Numbers, Set one Foot in 170.19, and extend the other to 230; then will that Extent reach from Radius or Tangent of  $45^\circ$ , to the Tangent of  $53^\circ 30'$ , the Quantity of the Angle C.

The Learner that has regularly come thus far, need not, I suppose, be told that though the Tangent of any Angle, and of that Angle's Complement be in the same Point of the Line, as in this Case,  $53^\circ 30'$  and  $36^\circ 30'$  are; yet he may easily know which is the Angle required by the Second Term of the Analogy; for if that be greater than the First, the greatest Tangent is the Angle required; as here 230 being greater than 170.19 makes it certain that  $53^\circ 30'$  is the Angle sought; and the Contrary.

The Reader is supposed in each of these Operations to have his Eye on the Analogies in the Synopsis, by which they are performed. And these being all the Varieties by the Gunter and Compasses; I proceed to the *Fifth Method* by the Sector.

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## CH A P. X.

### *Of the Fifth Method of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles by the Sector.*

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**B**Y this most noble and most useful of all Mathematical Instruments, *The Sector*, not only all the common Operations of the Mathematical Sciences are most easily and commodiously performed; but particularly the whole Business of *Trigonometrical Calculation*, of every Kind, is hereby very easy, expedite and perfect; For all manner of Analogies, whether by Numbers, Sines, Tangents, Secants, are alike resolved here.

The Invention of this wondrous Instrument is founded on the 4th *Prop.* of the 6th Book of *Euclid*, or *Theor.* XV beforegoing. Where 'tis demonstrated, that Parallels to the Base of any Plain Triangle, bare the same Proportion to the Base, as the Parts of the Legs above the Parallel, do to the whole Legs. But more of the Nature and Construction of the *Sector* is to be learned from those who have wrote purposely thereon.

The Lines on the *Sector* are various, but I have to do with no more those which serve more immediately to the Solutions of Triangles, and they are those which follow.

*First*, A Line of Chords on each Leg of the *Sector*; they proceed from the Center to the End of the Legs, where they terminate in a brass Point, at  $60^\circ$ , the Chord thereof being equal to Radius.

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*Secondly*,

*Secondly*, A Line of Sines, proceeding from the Center on each Leg, and terminating in a brass Point, on the End, at  $90^\circ$ .

*Thirdly*, A large Line of Tangents, running from the Center to the End of each Leg, and there end in a brass Point at  $45^\circ$ , the Tangent thereof being equal to Radius.

*Fourthly*, A small Line of Tangents, beginning at a small Radial Distance from the Center on each Leg, and terminates at the End at about  $75^\circ$  or  $76^\circ$ ; and is not perfect, as being only a Supplement to the former.

*Fifthly*, A Line of Secants, beginning at some distance from the Center, and proceed to the End on each Leg, where they break off at, some  $60^\circ$ , some  $75^\circ$ , &c.

*Sixthly*, A Line of Equal Parts, or, as some term it, a Line of Lines; these proceed from the Center on each Leg, to the End; graduated by equal Divisions 1.2.3.4, &c. to 10.

The Line of Chords, on the End of each Leg, is marked with a C. the Line of Sines, with S. the Line of Great Tangents, with T. the Line of Small ones, with *tan.* the Line of Seconds, with *sec.* and the Line of Equal Parts, with I.

These are the Six Grand Lines, which are of most important Use; the Construction of each of which you have clearly and largely taught by the foregoing XIX Problem of Geometry.

These are all Lines of Natural Numbers, Sines, Tangents and Secants; having now pretty well done with the Artificial ones, on which we have dwelt so long.

These Lines are to be used in a twofold Manner, viz. Doubly or Singly; Doubly, when we use both Lines of a like Sort; as both the Lines of Lines, both the

the Lines of Sines, &c. as suppose you place one Foot in the Sine of  $40^\circ$  on one Line, and extend the other Foot (the Sector being open'd) to  $40^\circ$  on the other Line, on the other Leg of the Sector; and this is call'd taking of  $40^\circ$  Parallel-wise, and is, for Brevity's sake, thus marked,  $=40^\circ$ .

The second Manner of using these Lines, viz singly, is when we use only one Line of a Sort; and Length-ways, or Lateral-wise, take off any Number of Parts or Degrees, by setting one Foot of the Compasses in the Center, and extending the other along one Leg to the designed Point, as suppose  $40^\circ$  on a Line of Sines, and this Lateral Way of taking  $40^\circ$  is thus marked,  $\parallel 40^\circ$ .

When ever, in working Proportions, Radius is mention'd, or made use of, you must understand it to relate to, or be in the Ends of the Great Lines on each Leg, on the brass Pin, as at 60 and 60, for Chords; 90 and 90 for Sines; 45 and 45 for Tangents, and 10 and 10 for the Line of Equal Parts; but on the Small Line of Tangents, the Radius or Radial Point, is the beginning at  $45^\circ$ ; as it is also of the Small Secants, at  $00^\circ$ , or very Beginning; but the following Practice will make all things intelligible and clear.

I shall resolve the *First Case* in all its Varieties, as I have all along done, and here again repeat the Analogies with the proper Signs prefixed to each Term, in order to shew how they are to be wrought on the Sector by the Compasses.

And here, that the young Learner may meet with nothing unapprised of, he must know, 'tis most convenient to begin with that Lateral Term, or more properly, to make that Term a Lateral one, that when apply'd Parallel-wise, may occasion the least Opening of the Sector; and all the following Analogies are marked with Regard hereto.

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Case I. Scheme I. *To find the Perpendicular AC.*

The Analogy;  $As = sC : \parallel AB :: sB : \parallel AC.$

Therefore with your Compasses take the Lateral Distance 230 from the Line of Lines, and make it a Parallel Distance from  $53^{\circ} 30'$  to  $53^{\circ} 30'$  on the Lines of Sines; Then the Parallel Distance of  $36^{\circ} 30'$  and  $36^{\circ} 30'$  of Sines will reach Laterally from the Center to 170.19 on the Line of Lines, and gives the Answer.

*To find the Hypothenuse BC.*

The Analogy;  $As = sB : \parallel AC :: R : \parallel BC.$

That is, Make the Lateral Distance 170.19 on the Line of Equal Parts, a Parallel on the Sine of  $36^{\circ} 30'$ ; then shall the Radius, or Sine of  $90^{\circ}$ , extend Laterally from the Center to 286.12 on the Line of Equal Parts, which is the Length of BC.

Case I. Scheme II. *To find the Perpend. AC.*

The Analogy;  $As = R : \parallel AB :: sB : \parallel AC.$

Make the Lateral 230, a Parallel on the Tangent Radius, or  $45^{\circ}$ , then the Parallel Tangent  $36^{\circ} 30'$ , will make Laterally 170.19 on the Line of Equal Parts.

*To find the Hypothenuse BC.*

The Analogy;  $As = R : \parallel AB :: sB : \parallel BC.$

Make the Lateral Distance 230 a Parallel on Radius of Secants; then the Parallel Secant of  $36^{\circ} 30'$ , shall be the Lateral Distance 286.12 on the Line of Equal Parts, as required.

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Case I. Scheme III. To find the Perpend. AC.

The Analogy; As = tC :  $\parallel$  AB :: = R :  $\parallel$  AC.

Make the Lateral Distance 230, a Parallel on the small Tangents, of  $53^{\circ} 30'$ ; then shall the Parallel Radius of the small Tangents, or  $45^{\circ}$ , be the Lateral Distance of 170.19 on the Line of Equal Parts, the Length of AC.

To find the Hypothenufe BC.

The Analogy; As = R :  $\parallel$  AC :: = scC :  $\parallel$  BC.

Make the Lateral Distance 170.19, a Parallel on the Secant-Radius; then the Parallel Secant of  $53^{\circ} 30'$ , shall be the Lateral Distance of 286.12 on the Line of Equal Parts.

If the Method of thus solving the *First Case* by the Sector, be well understood, there cannot possibly happen any difficulty in the Solution of any of the rest after the same Manner; especially as I have here adjoyn'd all the Analogies with their directory Signs,

Case II. Scheme I.

Analogies { 1. As = sB :  $\parallel$  AC :: = sC :  $\parallel$  AB, the Base.  
2. As = sB :  $\parallel$  AC :: = R :  $\parallel$  BC, the Hypot.

Scheme II.

Analogies { 1. As = tR :  $\parallel$  AC :: = R :  $\parallel$  AB, the Base.  
2. As = R :  $\parallel$  AB :: = scB :  $\parallel$  BC, the Hypot.

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## Scheme III.

Analo- { 1.  $As = R : \parallel AC : = tC : \parallel AB$ , the Base.  
 gics { 2.  $As = R : \parallel AC : = scC : \parallel BC$ , the Hypot.

## Case III. Scheme I.

Analo- { 1.  $As = R : \parallel BC : = sC : \parallel AB$ , the Base.  
 gics { 2.  $As = R : \parallel BC : = sB : \parallel AC$ , the Perpend.

## Scheme II.

Analo- { 1.  $As = scB : \parallel BC : = R : \parallel AB$ , the Base.  
 gics { 2.  $As = R : \parallel AB : = tB : \parallel AC$ , the Perpend.

## Scheme III.

Analo- { 1.  $As = scC : \parallel BC : \parallel tC : \parallel AB$ , the Base.  
 gics { 2.  $As = tC : \parallel AB : \parallel R : \parallel AC$ , the Perpen.

## Case IV. Scheme II.

Analo- { 1.  $As \parallel AB : = R : \parallel AC : = tB$ , Ang. at Base  
 gics { 2.  $As = R : \parallel AB : = scB : \parallel BC$ , the Hyp.

## Scheme III.

Analo- { 1.  $As \parallel AC : = R : \parallel AB : = tC$ , Ang. at Per.  
 gics { 2.  $As = R : \parallel AC : = scC : \parallel BC$ , the Hyp.

## Case V. Scheme I.

Analo- { 1.  $As \parallel BC : = R : \parallel AB : = sC$ , Ang. at Per.  
 gics { 2.  $As = R : \parallel BC : = sB : \parallel AC$ , the Perpen.

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Scheme II.

Analo- { 1. As  $\parallel$  AB : = R : :  $\parallel$  BC : = scB, Ang. at Base  
gies { 2. As = R :  $\parallel$  AB : = tB :  $\parallel$  AC, the Perpen.

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Analo- { 1. As  $\parallel$  BC : = R : :  $\parallel$  AC : = sB, Ang. at Base  
gies { 2. As = R :  $\parallel$  BC : = sC :  $\parallel$  AB, the Base.

Scheme III.

Analo- { 1. As  $\parallel$  AC : = R : :  $\parallel$  BC : = scC, Ang. at Per.  
gies { 2. As = R :  $\parallel$  A : = tC :  $\parallel$  AB, the Base.

Thus I hope I have made the whole Affair of Trigonometrical Calculation facile and ready by the Sector, however the Proportions are Constituted of Numbers and Sines, Numbers and Tangents, or Numbers and Secants; so that though a Person come ever so unskill'd in the Matter, I think when he has duely read and digested the Doctrine of this Chapter, 'tis sufficient to make him perfect, and dexterous in applying this Noble Instrument to all the Purposes here treated of.

*Note,* I would advise the young Student, when he buyes a Sector, to have one 2 Feet in Length when opened strait; for then the Lines will be 12 Inches each, and the Divisions thereof will be larger and clearer; however one of 18 Inches may do pretty well for common Uses. Observe also, that the Lines of Secants and small Tangents begin at an equal Distance from the Center; for esse such Analogies as have both Tangents and Secants in them cannot be performed thereby.

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## CH A P. XII.

### *Of the Sixth Method of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles by Geometrical Construction.*

**B**Y Geometrical Construction is meant a Delineation of the Triangle in Lines by a Scale of Equal Parts and a Line of Chords, by the strict Method of Geometry taught in the *Chapter of Geometrical Problems*; so that when the whole Triangle is thus projected in *Plano*, the Parts thereof unknown may be easily measured by the Scale from which the known or given Parts were delineated; that is, the unknown Sides measured on the Line of Equal Parts, and the Quantity of the unknown Angles from the Line of Chords; and thus the whole Triangle becomes known as soon as constructed.

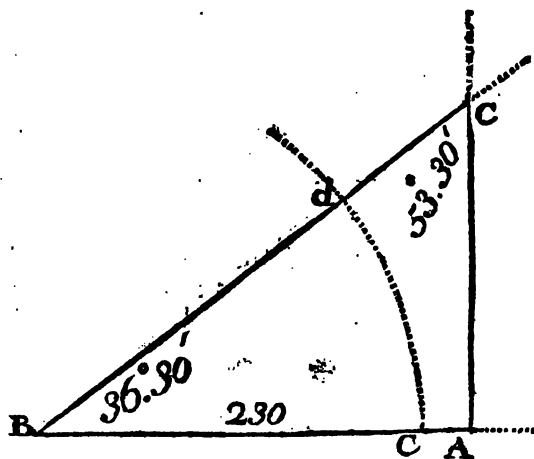
The Scale for this Purpose ought to have a Line of Equal Parts divided Diagonally, such as is common on the *Plain Scale*; however a Line of Equal Parts of some kind or other there must of Necessity be; and also a Line of Chords, or, in lieu thereof, an exact graduated Limb of a Quadrant. Whence this Geometrical Construction or Protraction of a Triangle may be performed by divers Instruments, viz. all such as have on them the Lines aforesaid, as the common *Plain Scale*; *The Sector*; *The Protractor*; *Sutton's Quadrant*; &c. But of all these the most usual and useful are, the *Plain Scale* and *Sector*; the

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first having a Line diagonally divided, which gives an Answer much nearer the Truth, than one that is not thus divided can do; and the Latter, as it is capable of being set to any Radia, which is a Property peculiar to its self.

The Geometrical Construction of the *Six Cases* of *Right-angled Plain Triangles*, according to what is given in each, here follows.

**Case I. Given the Base and Angles.**



*First*, Draw the Base Line BA at pleasure, and from the Diagonal Line on the Plain Scale, or Line of Equal Parts on the *Sector*, take the Length of the Base 230, with your Compasses, and set it from B to A.

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*Secondly,*

*Secondly*, On A raise a Perpendicular (by *Problem II.*) indefinitely continued.

*Thirdly*, Take the Chord of 60 Degrees from the Line of Chords on the *Plain Scale*, off from the Limb of the *Protractor* or *Quadrant*; or lastly, from the Parallel Chords of  $60^\circ$  on the *Sector* (conveniently opened) and therewith (as a Radius by *Theorem XVII.*) setting one Foot of the Compasses in B, strike the Arch dc; and from the same Line of Chords take the Quantity of Angle B, *viz.*  $36^\circ 30'$ , and set from c to d.

*Fourthly*, From B draw a Line through the Point d 'till it meet the Perpendicular in C. Then is ABC the Triangle required.

*Fifthly*, Measure the Perpendicular AC on the same Line or Scale you took AB from, and it will be found to be 170.19.

*Sixthly*, Measure also on the same Line the Hypotenuse BC, and you will find it to be 286.12; and thus the whole Triangle is solved.

**Case II.** *Given the Perpendicular and Angles.*

This *Case* is constructed in the same Manner as the last, if you proceed with the Perpendicular AC, and the Angle C, as I before directed for the Base AB and Angle B.

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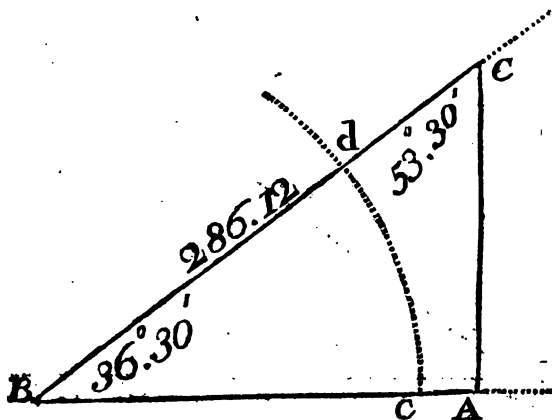
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**Case III. Given the Hypotenuse and Angles.**



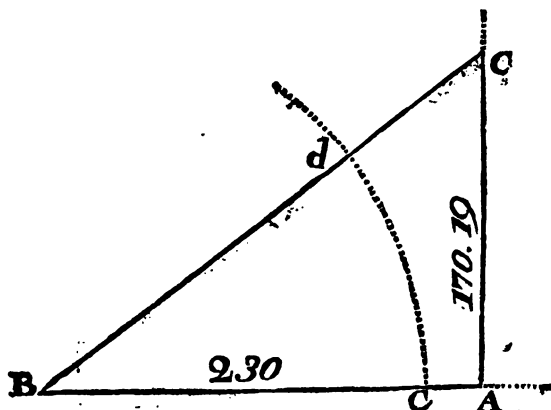
*First*, Draw a blank Base Line BA with one Foot of the Compasses, on which at B make an Angle, as directed in *Case I*.

*Secondly*, Through the Point *d* draw the Line BC indefinitely, and from a Scale of Equal Parts take 286.12 and set from B to C thereon.

*Thirdly*, From the Point C let fall a Perpendicular (by *Problem III*.) to the blank Line BA, cutting it at Right Angles in the Point A, and join A, B for the Base.

*Fourthly*, Measure the Base BA and the Perpendicular AC, on the Scale, and you will find the first to be 230; and the other 170.19, as before.

## Case IV, Given the Base and Perpendicular.



*First*, Draw the Line BA, on which from a Diagonal Scale or Line of Equal Parts, set off the Base 230 from B to A.

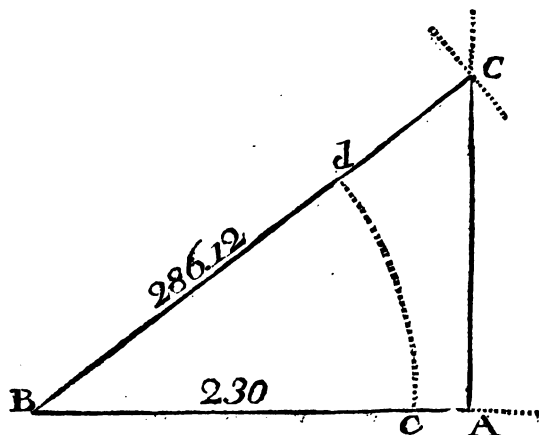
*Secondly*, On the Point A erect the Line AC at Right Angles, on which set off the Perpendicular 170.19 from A to C.

*Thirdly*, Join the Points B and C, for the Hypotenuse; which measured on the aforesaid Scale, will be found to be 286.12.

*Fourthly*, With 60 Degrees of Chords on B, strike the Arch *cd*, and measure the Part *cd*, on the Scale of Chords, or on the Limb of the Protractor, or apply it Parallel-wise on the Lines of Chords on the Sector, and it will give the Angle B  $36^{\circ} 30'$ , whose Complement C, is  $53^{\circ} 30'$ ; and thus the whole Triangle is become known.

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**Case V, Given the Base and Hypothenufe,**



*First,* Draw the Line BA, on which from a Scale of Equal Parts set off the Base 230 from B to A.

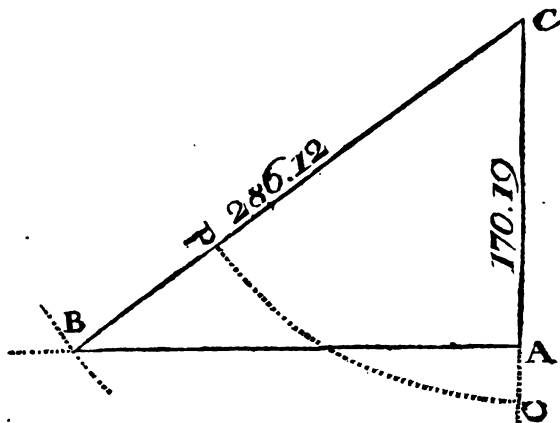
*Secondly,* On A raise the Perpendicular AC, continued indefinitely.

*Thirdly,* Then from the same Scale of Equal Parts take the Hypothenufe 286.12, and set one Foot of the Compasses on B, with the other cross the Line AC in C; and draw the Line BC.

*Fourthly,* With the Compasses take AC, and measure it on the Line of Equal Parts, and you will find it 170.19.

*Fifthly,* With the Chord of 60 Degrees, on B, strike the Arch cd, which being measured on the same Scale of Chords, it will give the Angle B =  $36^{\circ} 30'$ ; whose Complement C is  $53^{\circ} 30'$ .

**Case**

Case VI. *Given Hypothenuſe and Perpendicular.*

This Case is exactly the ſame as the foregoing, as to the Method of Conſtruction; if the ſame Directions be applied here to the Perpendicular and Hypothenuſe, as was there given for the Baſe and Hypothenuſe; as is evident from the *Scheme* it ſelf.

Thus I have in a plain and familiar Way, ſhewn the Geometrical Conſtruction of all the *Cases of Plain Right-angled Triangles*, in order to their Solution; and which ought to be perfectly underſtood, becauſe 'tis the very Baſis of all practical *Trigonometry*; and without which, no ſuch thing as a Triangle can be truly made.

To learn this true and exact Geometrical Way, being ſo very plain, and eaſy in Practice; I have often admired that the ingenious Handicraft and Mechanick ſhould ſo much neglect it, and be ſo unreaſonably contented with the old unartful Way of drawing Figures by *Tentando*.

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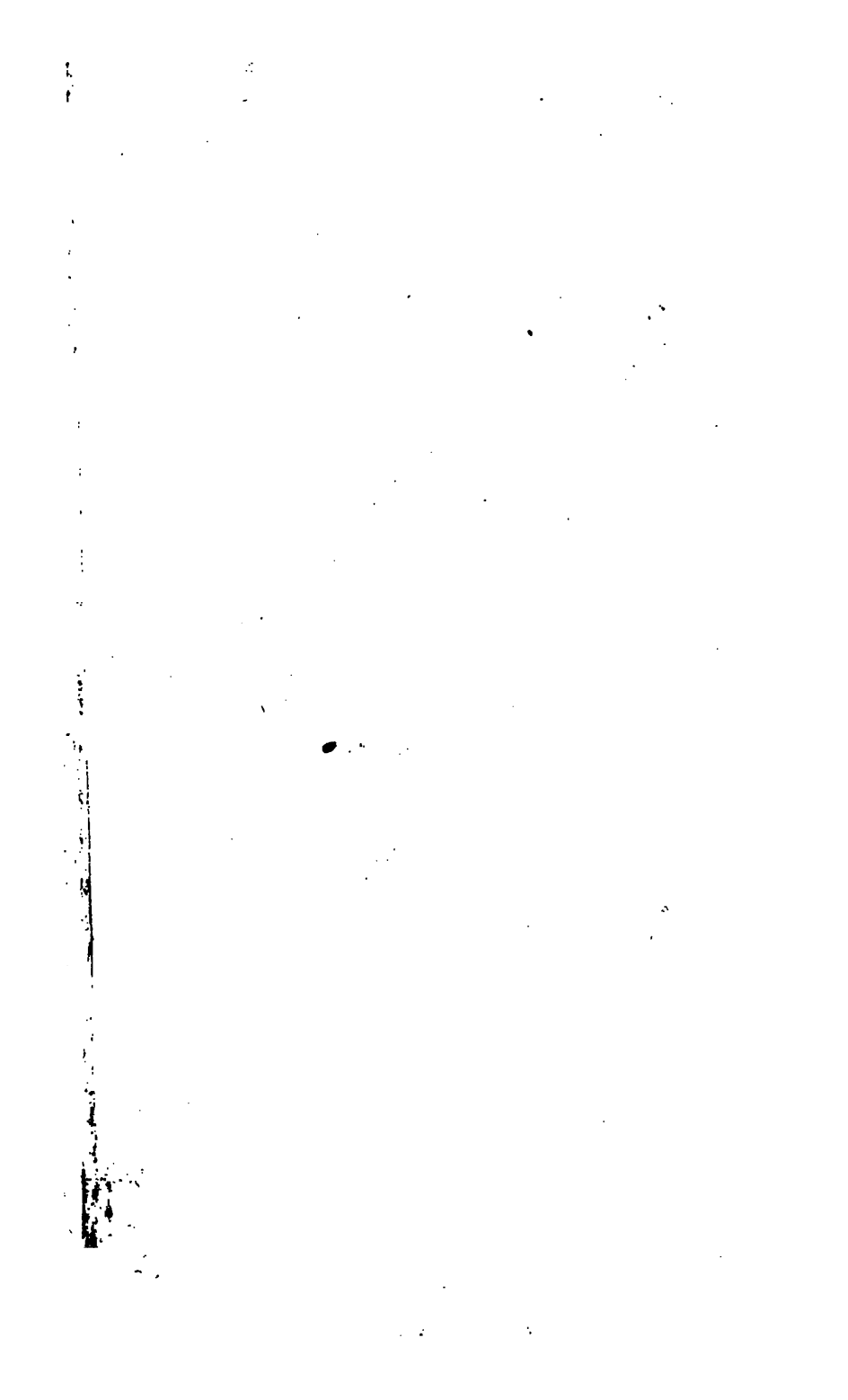


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CH A P. XIII.

*Of the Seventh and Eighth Methods of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles by the Practical Trigon, and Sinical Quadrant.*

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**T**HE two Instruments, whose Uses are here to be described, are the most expeditious in Practice of any by Natural Lines; yea, they are in themselves the most natural of any Means; for either at once constitute the Triangle, and shews the Dimensions of every Part thereof, by Inspection only, in Natural Numbers on the respective Lines. But because those Instruments are very scarce, and in few Persons Hands; I have therefore given the Young Geometer a Figure both of the *Trigon* and *Sinical Quadrant*, and their Descriptions which here follow.

*A Description of the Trigon. Fig. I.*

The *Trigon* is an Instrument consisting of three, and sometimes of four, Parts or Pieces: The first is the fixed Piece BA, which represents the Base of a Right-angled Triangle, and is graduated into an hundred Equal Parts. The second Piece is BC, and is inserted into BA by the Joint B, on which it moves, and may be set to a given Angle with BA; this Part represents the Hypothensuse of a Triangle. The third

third Piece is AC, and is made to move backward and forward on BA, by means of the Socket S, so as to be in a perpendicular Position thereto; and therefore this Part represents the Perpendicular or Cathetus of the Triangle, and is also graduated into an hundred Equal Parts. The fourth Part is the Semiquadrantal Arch D, divided into 45 Degrees, being fixed in the End of the Part BA, in order that the Piece BC may move commodiously by it, and be set to the given Quantity of any Angle under  $45^\circ$  thereon. By this Description, and even from the very view of the Figure it self, 'tis easy to conceive how very naturally this Instrument at once both forms and shews the Quantity of each Part of the Triangle unknown. The Reason why the Arch is here described as containing only  $45^\circ$ , and no more, will appear in the Uses hereof by and by. And here 'tis to be observed, that because this Instrument may be opened to an Angle of  $45^\circ$ , and each Leg in such Case may contain 100 Parts, 'tis therefore necessary the Hypothenusal Part BC, should be divided into 141.4 of such Parts as being the Square Root of 20000, the Sum of the Squares of the Legs. See *Theorem XL*.

*Note,* If the Leg AC were made to move on the Socket S circularly, this Instrument might also be used in solving *Oblique-angled Triangles*.

### *A Description of the Sinical Quadrant.*

This Quadrant hath, like all others, a graduated Limb of 90 Degrees; and its two Rectilineal Sides (or Radius's) BD and BE, divided into 100 Equal Parts, from each of which are drawn Right Lines to the Circular Limb, mutually intersecting each other on the Superficies of the Quadrant, and make the Sines and Co-Sines of as many Divisions in the Quadrantal

**Quadrantal Limb.** On the Center of the Quadrant B is fixed a moveable Index or Label BC, graduated also into 100 Equal Parts; this Index thus moving on the Quadrant is to be set to any Given Angle, and serves for the Hypothenufe in any Triangle; the other two Legs which make the Base and Perpendicular being those Lines, or Parts thereof which arise from either graduated Side and meet the graduated Edge of the Label, and the Side of the Quadrant it self; all this is evident by a View of the *Figure II*, only.

It is not my Purpose (here at least) to shew the other Uses that may be made of the Quadrant here described, and the *Trigon*, but only that of solving Triangles thereby; and that in the *Trigon* is as follows.

### *The Use of the Trigon.*

Admit there be a Right-angled Triangle, in which there is Given the Base  $BA = 82$ , or  $820$ ; and the Angle at Base  $B = 30^{\circ} 00'$ ; and its Complement of Course,  $C = 60^{\circ} 00'$  required the Hypothenufe BC, and Perpendicular AC.

*Direction I.* Set the Hypothenufial Part BC to  $30^{\circ} 00'$  on the Limb, then slide the Perpendicular Part AC to 82 (or 820) on the Base Part BA; this being done, the Triangle is formed; and from the Center B to the Common Interfection at C, is contained 94.68 (or 946.8) = BC, the Hypothenufe; and from A to C, is intercepted 47.34 (or 473.4) = AC, the Perpendicular; thus with Ease, and in a Moment is such a Triangle solved by Inspection only.

*Direction II.* If the Angle at Base, in the aforesaid Case, be Given greater than  $45^{\circ}$ ; the moveable Hypothenufe

pothenuse must be set to the Complemental Angle, and the Instrument being inverted, viz. the Perpendicular Piece made Base, the small Divisions must be used, as before the larger were, and the Answer will appear on the other Parts as before; but not exact enough for any considerable Purpose, unless the two Legs are at least a Foot in Length each; and such as chuse this Instrument, may as well have it 2 or 3 Feet long, as one; and their Work will be proportionably more exact.

*Direction III.* When both the Legs are Given, do thus; Set the Perpendicular Leg AC to what is Given on the Base Leg BA, then move the Hypothenuſal Part BC to the Given Parts on AC; and thus is the Triangle formed, and the Solution evident by Inspection; for the Point of the Hypothenuſe on the Limb D shews the Quantity of the Angle at Base B, and so of its Complement C; and the Parts intercepted between B and C on the Hypothenuſe, are its required Length.

*Direction IV.* When Base and Hypothenuſe are Given; slide the Perpendicular Part AC to the Given Part of the Base BA, then move the Hypothenuſal Part up or down, 'till the Given Part thereon meet the Perpendicular AC; and thus the Triangle is formed, and the Angles and other Side, are known by Inspection.

*Direction V.* When the Hypothenuſe and Perpendicular are Given; move the Parts BC and AC, so together, that the Given Parts on both may coincide in C; when this is done the Triangle is formed, and solved by Inspection.

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*Direction VI.* When the Hypothenuſe and Angles are Given; Set the Hypothenuſal Part BC to the Quantity of the Angle B on the graduated Limb D, then move the Perpendicular Part AC to the Given Part on BC; and thus the Triangle is formed, ſhewing the Quantity of the other two Sides BA and AC.

*Direction VII.* When the Perpendicular and Angles are Given; Set the Hypothenuſe BC to the Degrees of B on the Limb D, then ſlide the Perpendicular backwards and forwards, 'till its Given Parts meet the Hypothenuſe in C; ſo is the Triangle formed, and the Sides viſible on their reſpective Parts BC and BA.

Thus have I given *Directions* for the Uſe of this Practical Inſtrument in all Variety of Caſes. I proceed now to

### *The Uſe of the Sinical Quadrant.*

In the following *Directions*, I call thoſe Lines which are drawn from the Diviſions of the Side of the Quadrant BD upwards, *Right Sines*; and thoſe which are drawn from the Side BE, acroſs the Quadrant, *Tranſverſe Sines*.

I. *Let there be Given the Baſe BA=63, and the Angle B=38° 30'; its Complement being 51° 30'; to find the Sides BC and AC, by the Sinical Quadrant.*

*Direction I.* Set the Index to the Angle B on the Limb; then obſerve where the Right Sine of 63 Parts on BD intersects the Index, and you'll find it to be in C in the Diviſion of 80.5, which therefore is the Length of the Hypothenuſe BC on the Index. Next for the Perpendicular AC, obſerve where the

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Point C is transferred to the Side BE, by the Transverse Sine CG, which you will find to be in the Point C in the Division 47.3, the Length of the Part BG = AC, the Perpendicular. See *Theorem IX*.

*Direction II.* In case a Side or Angle be Given so large, as that the Side exceeds the Larger Divisions; or the Point of Intersection C be carried off the Quadrant; you must use the small Divisions, and proceed altogether as in *Direction II.* for the Use of the *Trigon*.

II. *Given the two Legs BA and AC; to find the Rest.*

*Direction III.* Observe where the Right Sine of the Given Point on the Base Side BD intersects the Transverse Sine of the Given Point in the Perpendicular Side BE; then on that Point of Intersection, as C, lay the Index; and so shall the Triangle be formed, and the Quantity of every Part at once appear.

III. *Given the Base and Hypothenuse; to find the Rest.*

*Direction IV.* Lay the Given Point in the Index, on that Right Sine which proceeds from the Given Point in the Base Side BD, and the Triangle is formed; in which the Angles will be apparent, and the Perpendicular known by the Transverse Sine, going from the Point C to the Perpendicular Side BE.

IV. *Given the Hypothenuse and Perpendicular; to find the Rest.*

*Direction V.* Lay the Index BC in the Given Point thereof C, on the Transverse Side which proceeds from

from the Given Point in the Perpendicular Side BE; so is the Triangle constituted; and the unknown Parts immediately becomes known.

*V. The Hypothenuſe and Angles given; to find the Reſt.*

*Direction VI.* Set the Index to the Angle B on the Limb; then obſerve what Right and Tranſverſe Sines meet in the Given Point in the Index; for they ſhall ſhew the Baſe in the Side BD; and the Perpendicular in the Side BE.

*VI. The Perpendicular and Angles given; to find the Reſt.*

*Direction VII.* Set the Index to the Angle B on the Limb; then ſhall the Tranſverſe Sine cut the Index in the Point for the Hypothenuſe, and the Right Sine deſcending from that Point, ſhall ſhew the Baſe in the Side BD.

Thus by eaſy *Directions*, too plain and natural to need Numerical Examples for each, I have ſhewn how all the *Caſes of Right-angled Plain Triangles* are to be reſolved by the two Inſtruments above deſcribed; which were they ſufficiently large and exact, would be moſt Uſeful in Practical Trigonometry; the firſt of which any ingenious Artiſt might make (at leaſt might graduate) himſelf, of what Size he pleaſe.



## C H A P. XIV.

*Of the Ninth Method of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles by Natural Arithmetic.*

**T**HE Foundation of this *Method* is from the most famous *Pythagorean* Invention, viz. *Theorem XI.* which teacheth the Arithmetic of Squares, Triangles, Parallelograms, Circles and other similar Superficies described on the Sides of a Right-angled Triangle, by Extraction of Roots.

This *Method* (here intended by Extraction of the Square Root) is defective, inasmuch as by it the Angles cannot be found. Yet is it a very useful Means for finding the Sides on many Occasions. And he who knows not, by having two Sides Given, to find the other readily with the Pen only, is but a poor Geometer.

In *Theorem XIX.* 'twas shewn and demonstrated, that by having any two Sides of a Right-angled Plain Triangle Given, the other by Extraction of the Square Root was Given also. Therefore by this *Method* there are only Three Cases of the Six, to be solved, viz. those Three in which are two Sides Given; and those, as I said, imperfect; because by them no Angle can be known.

The *Solutions* of those Three Cases by Extraction of the Square Root are as follows.

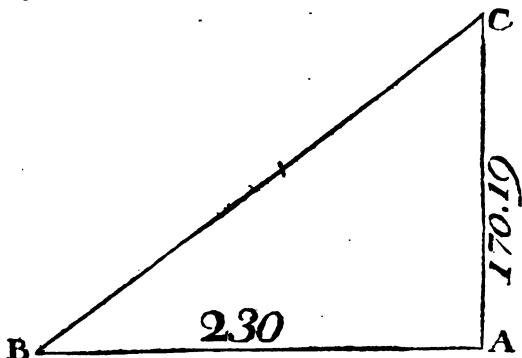
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Case I. *Given the Two Legs BA=230, and AC=170.19. To find the Hypothenufe BC.*



$$\begin{array}{r} AC=230 \\ 230 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6900 \\ 460 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Square of BA = 52900

$$\begin{array}{r} AC=170.19 \\ 170.19 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 153171 \\ 17019 \\ 1191330 \\ 17019 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Add  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 28964.6361 \\ 52900 \end{array} \right. = \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Sqr.} \\ \text{of AC} \end{array} \right.$

Sum of the Squares of BA & AC = 81864.6361 (286.12

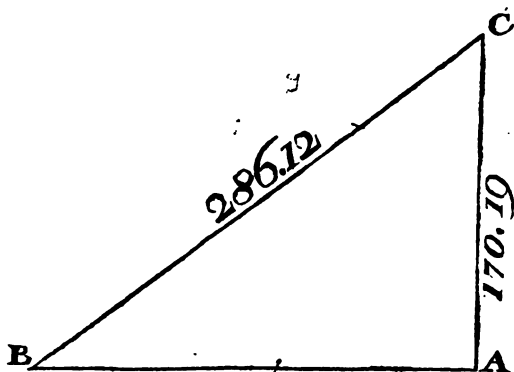
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The Square Root of  
which is 286.12 fere,  
and is the Hypo-  
thenufe sought; as  
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$$\begin{array}{r} 48) 418 \\ 384 \\ \hline 566) 3464 \\ 3396 \\ \hline 5721) 6863 \\ 5721 \\ \hline 57222) 114261 \\ 117444 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Case

Case II. Given the Hypotenuse  $BC = 286.12$ ,  
and the Leg  $CA = 170.19$ . To find the Leg  $BA$ .



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} BC = 286.12 \\ AC = 170.19 \end{array} \right\} \text{Squared is } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 81864.6361 \\ 28964.6361 \end{array} \right.$$

The Diff. of those Squares =  $52900 = BC^2 - AC^2$ .

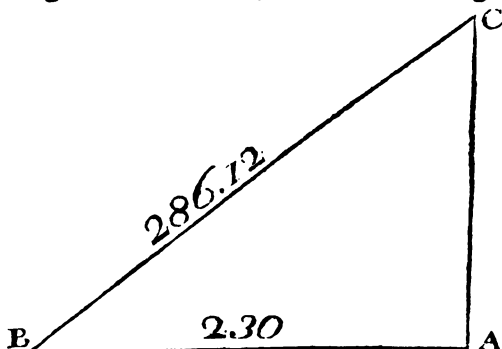
By Extraction.  $\sqrt{52900} = 230 = BA$ , the Leg sought.

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Note, I chuse to keep to the Numbers before used, though the last Place of Decimals in the Root and Square of  $BC$  be not precisely just.

Case

Case III. Given the Hypothenuſe  $BC=286.12$ ; and the Leg  $BA=230$ . To find the other Leg  $AC$ .



$$\begin{array}{l} BC=286.12 \\ BA=230 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} BC=286.12 \\ BA=230 \end{array}} \right\} \text{Squared is } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 81864.6361 \\ 52900 \end{array} \right.$$

The Difference of thoſe Squares is  $\overline{28964.6361}$

Then, by }  $\overline{28964.6361}$  ( $170.19=AC$ , { the Leg  
Extraction }  $\overline{1}$  } fought.

$$\begin{array}{r} 27 \overline{) 189} \\ \underline{189} \\ 3401 \dots 6463 \\ \underline{3401} \\ 34029 \overline{) 306261} \\ \underline{306261} \\ \dots \end{array}$$

I know there is a kind of *Method* for finding the Angles by *Plain Arithmetic*; but becauſe 'tis very troubleſome, intricate and conſequently uſeleſs, (beſides another Reason which ſhall go nameleſs) I do not think 'tis worth while to infer it here.

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## C H A P. XV.

*Of the Tenth Method of Solving Right-angled Plain Triangles by Algebra, or Analytical Investigation.*

**T**HIS *Method* of resolving *Triangles* is only to be managed by those who have some Skill in *Algebra*. For those *Cases* which require to be solved this Way, fall not under the common Rules, and consequently will not admit any Solutions in the common *Methods* hitherto treated of. In them the *Data* and *Qua sita*, or the Parts given and required, are intire; that is Whole Sides, or Whole Angles, and that separately; But here you have the *Data* most times consisting of Pieces of *Triangles*, that is, Parts of Sides, Sums, Differences, and Proportions of Sides and Angles only; and for the *Triangle* to fall out thus is no very rare Thing with Those who are conversant in *Geometry*, the more abstruser Part especially.

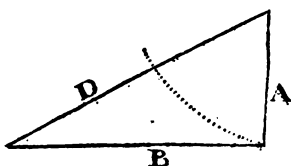
Hence therefore the Young Geometer cannot but think himself concerned to learn so necessary a Part of his Art as the *Analytical Investigation* of the unknown Parts of *Triangles*, and other Figures depending thereon; and though I do not here pretend to teach the Art of *Algebra*, yet I imagine 'twill not be a little acceptable to the Young *Philomath*, to have here a kind of *Synopsis* of all the most usual and useful *Cases* of this Nature laid before him, with the *Theo-*

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remains for their Solutions, and a Specimen of the Investigation and Resolution of such *Theorems*; all which here follow in Order.

Triangle

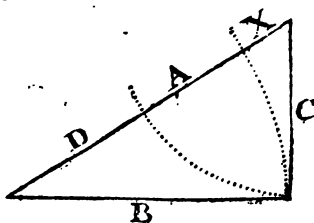
Case I. Given the Base B, and the Difference between the Hypotenuse and Cathetus D; to find the Cathetus A, &c.



Theorem

$$A = \frac{BB - DD}{2D}$$

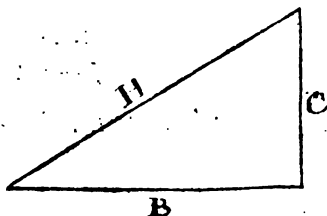
Case II. Given the Difference of the Base and Hypotenuse D, and the Difference of the Cathetus and Hypotenuse X; to find the Base B, the Cathetus C, and the Part of the Hypotenuse A.



Theorem,  $A = \sqrt{2DX}$

Then,  $\begin{cases} D + A = B \\ X + A = C \end{cases}$

Case III. Given the Hypotenuse H, and the Sum of the Legs (viz.  $B + C = S$ ); thence to find those two Legs.

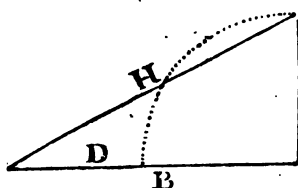


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$$1 \text{ Theorem. } B = \frac{S + \sqrt{2HH - SS}}{2}$$

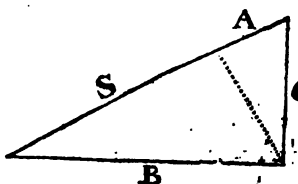
$$2 \text{ Theorem. } C = \frac{S - \sqrt{2HH - SS}}{2}$$



Case IV. Given the Hypothenuse  $H$ , and the Difference of the other two Sides  $D$ ; to find the Sides  $B$  and  $C$ .

$$1 \text{ Theorem. } B = \frac{D + \sqrt{2HH - DD}}{2}$$

$$2 \text{ Theorem. } C = \frac{\sqrt{2HH - DD} - D}{2}$$



Case V. Given the Base  $B$ , and the alternate Segment of the Hypothenuse (made by a Perpendicular falling from the Right-angle thereon)  $S$ ; to find the other Segment  $A$ , and the Cathetus  $C$ .

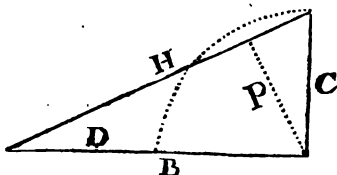
$$1 \text{ Theorem. } A = \sqrt{BB - SS}$$

Let  $S + A = H$ ; then

$$2 \text{ Theorem. } C = \sqrt{HH - BB}$$

Case

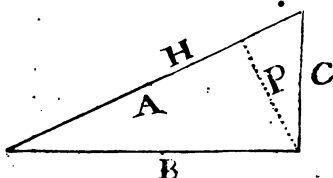
Case VI. Given the Difference of the Base and Cathetus D, and the Perpendicular let fall from the Right-Angle on the Hypotenuse P; thence to find the Hypotenuse H, &c.



$$\text{Theorem. } H = P + \sqrt{DD + PP}.$$

And now B and C are found by Case IV.

Case VII. Given the Hypotenuse H, and the Perpendicular P, let fall from the Right-Angle; thence to find the Greater Segment of the Hypotenuse A, &c.

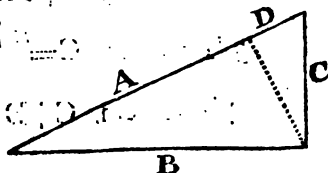


$$1 \text{ Theorem. } A = \frac{1}{2}H + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}HH - PP}.$$

$$2 \text{ Theorem. } B = \sqrt{AA + PP}.$$

$$3 \text{ Theorem. } C = \sqrt{HH - BB}.$$

Case VIII. Given the Sum of the Base and Greater Segment of the Hypotenuse, viz.  $B + A = S$ ; and the Sum of the Cathetus and Lesser Segment, viz.  $C + D = X$ ; thence to find the Sides and Segments severally.



Put



$$\text{Put } 2z = \frac{XX}{2S} + 2X - \frac{1}{2}S.$$

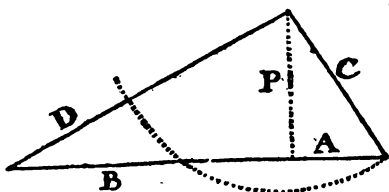
$$1 \text{ Theorem. } A = \sqrt{zS + zz} - z.$$

$$2 \text{ Theorem. } B = S - A.$$

$$3 \text{ Theorem. } D = \frac{SS}{A} - 2S.$$

$$4 \text{ Theorem. } C = X - D.$$

Case IX. Given (in any Plain Triangle) the Difference of the Sides  $L$ , the Difference of the Segments of the Base  $B$ ; and the Perpendicular (let fall from the vertical Angle)  $I$  thence to find all the Sides,



$$\text{Put } 2x = BB - DD.$$

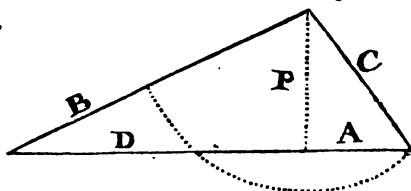
$$1 \text{ Theorem. } A = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}BB + \frac{PPDD}{2x}} - 2x - \frac{1}{2}B.$$

$$2 \text{ Theorem. } B + 2A = \text{The Base.}$$

$$3 \text{ Theorem. } C = \frac{z + BA}{D} = \text{Lesser Side.}$$

$$4 \text{ Theorem. } C + D = \text{The Greater Side.}$$

Case X. The Sum of the two Sides of any Plain Triangle S; the Difference of the Segment of the Base D; and the Perpendicular P (let fall from the Vertical-Angle) being Given; thence to find the Base, and the Sides.



Suppose  $2z = SS - DD$

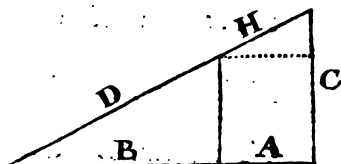
$$1 \text{ Theorem. } A = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}DD + \frac{1}{2}z} - \frac{SSPP}{2z} - \frac{1}{2}D.$$

$$2 \text{ Theorem, } C = \frac{z - DA}{S} \text{ The Lesser Side.}$$

$$3 \text{ Theorem. } D + 2A = \text{The Base.}$$

$$4 \text{ Theorem. } S - C = B + C = \text{Greater Side.}$$

Case XI. In any Right-angled Triangle, let a Right Line be drawn parallel to the Cathetus, and let there be Given the Cathetus C; that Segment of the Hypotenuse, next to the Cathetus H; and the alternate Segment of the Base B; to find the Base and Hypotenuse.

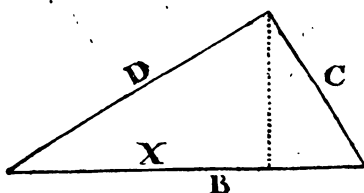


Theorem

$$A^4 + 2BA^3 + C^2A^2 + B^2A^2 - H^2A^2 - 2H^2BA = H^2B^2$$

Then  $A + B = \text{The Base}$ ; whence the Hypotenuse is known by the last Method.

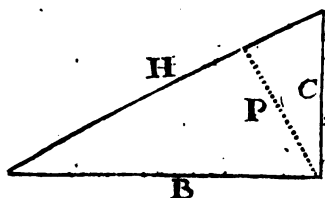
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Case XII. Given the Sides  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$  of any Plain Triangle; to find the Greater Segment of the Base  $X$ .

Theorem.

$$X = \frac{BB + CC + DD}{2B}$$



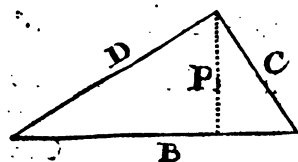
Case XIII. Given the Perimeter of a Right-angled Triangle  $S$ , and the Perpendicular let fall from the Right-Angle  $P$ ; to find the Sides.

The Perimeter  $B + C + H = S$ .

1 Theorem.  $H = \frac{SS}{2S + 2P}$

2 Theorem.  $B + C = S - H$ , the Sum of the Sides

3 Theorem.  $B - C = \sqrt{HH + 2SH - SS}$ , The Difference of the Sides.

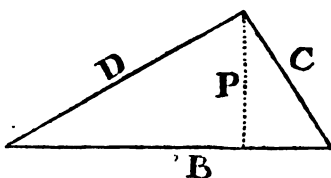


Case XIV. Given the Base  $B$ ; and the Sum of the Perpendicular and the Legs (viz.  $P + D + C = S$ ); to find the Parts severally, of any Right-Angle Triangle.

1 Theorem

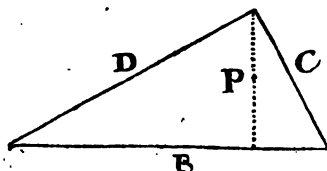
- 1 Theorem.  $P = S + B - \sqrt{2SB + 2BB}$
- 2 Theorem.  $D + C = S - P$ , the Sum of the Sides.
- 3 Theorem.  $D - C = \sqrt{2BB - SS + 2SP - PP} =$   
The Difference of the Sides.

Case XV. Having Given in a Right-angled Triangle the Sum of the Sides ( $D + C =$ )  $S$ ; and the Perpendicular  $P$ ; to find the Triangle.



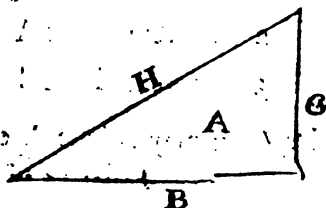
- 1 Theorem.  $B = \sqrt{PP + SS} - P$ .
- 2 Theorem.  $D - C = \sqrt{2BB - SS}$ .

Case XVI. Having Given in a Right-angled Triangle, the Sum of the Legs ( $D + C =$ )  $S$ ; and the Sum of the Perpendicular and Base ( $P + B =$ )  $X$ ; to find the Triangle.



- 1 Theorem.  $D = \frac{1}{2}S \pm \sqrt{XX - \frac{1}{4}SS - X\sqrt{XX - SS}}$ .
- 2 Theorem.  $C = S - D =$  The Cathetus.
- 3 Theorem.  $B = \sqrt{DD + CC}$ , the Hypothenufe.

Case XVII. The Perimeter, or Sum of the three Sides of a Right-angled Triangle Given ( $B + C + H =$ )  $S$ ; and the Area thereof  $A$ ; thence to find each Side.



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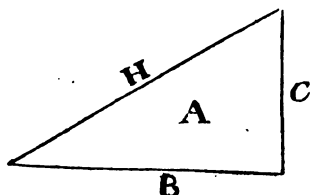
1 Theorem

$$1 \text{ Theorem. } H = \frac{1}{2}S - \frac{2A}{S}$$

$$2 \text{ Theorem. } B = S - H + \sqrt{HH - 4A}$$

$$3 \text{ Theorem. } C = S - H - B$$

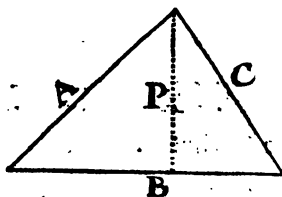
**Case XVIII.** In any Right-angled Triangle, the Area  $A$ ; and the Sum of the Hypotenuse and either Side (suppose  $H + C = S$ ); being Given; thence to find the Sides.



$$1 \text{ Theorem. } BSS - BBB = 4SA$$

$$2 \text{ Theorem. } C = \frac{2A}{B}$$

$$3 \text{ Theorem. } H = S - C$$



**Case XIX.** To find a Triangle, whose three Sides  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ; and Perpendicular  $P$ , are in Arithmetical Progression.

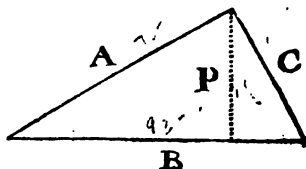
$$1 \text{ Theorem. } 8C^3 - 36AC^2 + 54AAC = 35A^3$$

$$2 \text{ Theorem. } B = 2A - C$$

$$3 \text{ Theorem. } P = 2C - A$$

**Note,** You may assume  $A$  equal to any Number, in order to find the Rest.

Case XX To find a Triangle, whose three Sides A, B, C; and the Perpendicular P, are in Geometrical Progression.



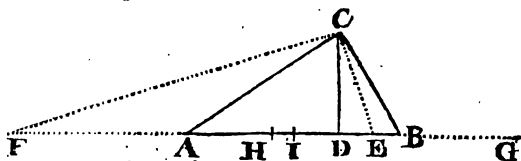
1 Theorem.  $A = C\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}}$

2 Theorem.  $B = \frac{AA}{C}$

3 Theorem.  $P = \frac{CC}{A}$

Note, Here again you may assume C = any Number at pleasure, to find the Rest.

Case XXI. Having the Sides and Base of any Right-lined Triangle Given; to find the Segments of the Base, the Perpendicular, the Area and the Angles.



Bisect AB in I; and make AF and AE = AC; and BG and BH = BC; join CE and CF; and let fall the Perpendicular CD, on the Base AB. Then it will be,

Theorem 1. for the Segments of the Base.  $\left\{ \frac{AC^2 - BC^2}{2AB} = DI \right\}$  Now  $BI - DI = DB$ , the lesser Segment.

Theorem 2. for the Perpendicular.  $\left\{ \frac{\sqrt{FG \times FH \times HE \times EG}}{2AB} = CD \right\}$  The Perpendicular

Theorem 3. for the Area.  $\left\{ \frac{\sqrt{FG \times FH \times HE \times EG}}{4} = \text{The Area} \right\}$

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For

For the *Angle A*, there are the several *Theorems* following.

1. As  $2AB \times AC : HE \times EG$  ( $:: AC : DE$ )  $::$  Radius  
: verfed Sine of *A*.
2. As  $2AB \times AC : \sqrt{FG \times FH}$  ( $:: AC : FD$ )  $::$  Radius  
: verfed Co-sine of *A*.
3. As  $2AB \times AC : \sqrt{FG \times FH \times HE \times EG}$  ( $:: AC : CD$ )  
 $::$  Radius : Sine of *A*.
4. As  $\sqrt{FG \times FH} : \sqrt{HE \times EG}$  ( $:: CF : CE$ )  $::$  Radius  
: Tangent of  $\frac{1}{2}$  *A*.
5. As  $\sqrt{HE \times EG} : \sqrt{FG \times FH}$  ( $:: CE : CF$ )  $::$  Radius  
: Co-Tangent of  $\frac{1}{2}$  *A*.
6. As  $2\sqrt{AB \times AC} : \sqrt{HE \times EG}$  ( $:: FE : EC$ )  $::$  Ra-  
dius : Sine of  $\frac{1}{2}$  *A*.
7. As  $2\sqrt{AB \times AC} : \sqrt{FG \times FH}$  ( $:: FE : FC$ )  $::$  Ra-  
dius : Co-Sine of  $\frac{1}{2}$  *A*.

Thus I have furnished the *Young Algebraical* (the only true) *Geometer*, with a Collection of the most Useful and Curious of all the *Anomalous Cases of Plain Trigonometry*, with the *Theorems* resolving the same; I had Thoughts of adding more, but considering 'twas to little Purpose, I chuse rather to refer to the *Learned* Authors, *Mr. Ward*, *Mr. Rapson*, *Dr. Harris*, *Sir Isaac Newton*, &c. whence these were taken; and shall now proceed to give an *Example* of the *Method* of Investigating or Raising the foregoing *Theorems*; and shall shew the Reason of the Process, by an Apposition of the several *Axioms* and *Geometrical Theorems*, which are the Rules and Foundation of the whole Matter.

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The *Example* shall be of *Case IV.* for the first *Theorem*, in order to find the *Base B*; and it is thus.

|                |    |                                                       |                                              |
|----------------|----|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Let            | 1  | H=194                                                 | } For these are Parts<br>in that Case given. |
| And            | 2  | D=14=B-C                                              |                                              |
| Then           | 3  | BB+CC=HH=37636. by <i>The. XI.</i>                    |                                              |
| 2 squared      | 4  | BB-2BC+CC=DD=196. by <i>Ax. 6.</i>                    |                                              |
| 3 less 4       | 5  | 2BC=HH-DD=37440. by <i>Ax. 2.</i>                     |                                              |
| 3 more 5       | 6  | BB+2BC+CC=2HH-DD=75076.                               |                                              |
| 6 extracted    | 7  | B+C= $\sqrt{2HH-DD}$ =274 by <i>Ax. 1.</i>            |                                              |
| 2 more 7       | 8  | 2B=D+ $\sqrt{2HH-DD}$ =288. by <i>Ax. 1.</i>          |                                              |
| 8 divid. by 2  | 9  | B= $\frac{D+\sqrt{2HH-DD}}{2}$ =144. by <i>Ax. 4.</i> |                                              |
| 7 less 2       | 10 | 2C= $\sqrt{2HH-DD}$ -D=260. by <i>Ax. 2.</i>          |                                              |
| 10 divid. by 2 | 11 | C= $\frac{\sqrt{2HH-DD}-D}{2}$ =130. by <i>Ax. 4.</i> |                                              |

Thus by the above *Process* at the 9th Step, there comes out the *First Theorem*, which shews the *Base* to be 144; and by the 11th Step, you have the *Second Theorem*, shewing the *Cathetus* to be 130; and after this Manner are the other *Theorems* investigated, and resolved into Numbers; which I leave to exercise the young Artist when it suits his Occasion; and proceed to the next Chapter of *Oblique-angled Plain Triangles*.

CHAP.



## C H A P. XVI,

*Of the Solution of Oblique-angled Plain Triangles.*

**W**HAT the Species of *Oblique Triangles* are may be seen in the *Definitions*; you will there find them to be of two Sorts, *viz.* such as have all their Angles Acute, or each less than  $90^\circ$ ; or such as have one Angle Obtuse, *viz.* greater than  $90^\circ$ . For all the Angles may be severally less than a Right Angle; but one Angle only can be bigger; by *Theorem IV.*

Every *Oblique-angled Triangle* may be solved, if there be Given therein the following Parts, *viz.*

*First*, The three Angles, and any one Side.

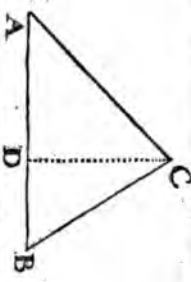
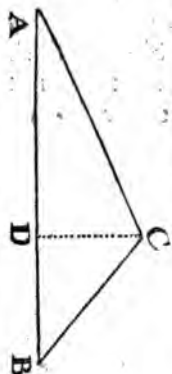
*Secondly*, Two Sides, and an Angle opposite to one of them.

*Thirdly*, Two Sides, and an Angle comprehended between them.

*Fourthly*, All the three Sides.

And these four *Cases* are all that can happen in an *Oblique-angled Plain Triangle*; Notwithstanding which, most of our principal Trigonometrical Writers make, some five; and some six *Cases*; but without any Reason; for 'tis the same *Case* to find all the unknown Parts, as to find one of them, by the same *Data*. Also, to have the three Angles only Given, is not properly any *Case* at all; for by them the Proportion of the Sides, but not the Sides themselves, can only be found; therefore there can be but four *Cases*; *A Synopsis* which here follows.

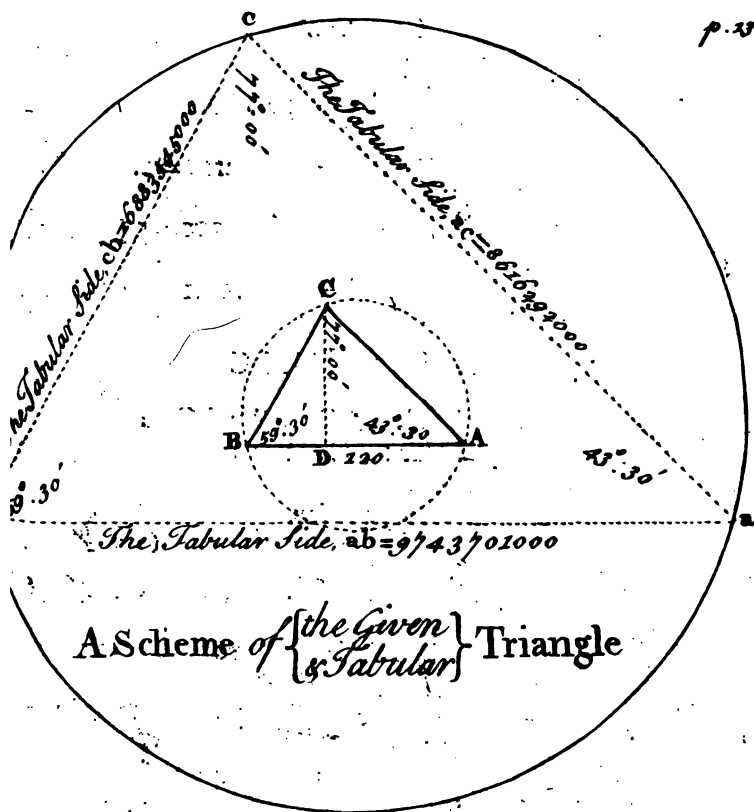
**Cases**

| Cases. | Given                                                    | Required.                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| I.     | $\overline{AB},$<br>$\overline{C}, \overline{AB},$       | $\overline{AC},$<br>$\overline{CB}.$                   |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| II.    | $\overline{AC}, \overline{BC},$<br>$\overline{A}.$       | $\overline{AB},$<br>$\overline{CB}.$                   | <p>As <math>sC : AB :: sB : AC.</math> } By <i>Theorem XXVIII.</i><br/> As <math>sB : AC :: sA : BC.</math><br/> As <math>BC : sA :: AC : sB</math>; Then, <math>180^\circ - A - B = C,</math><br/> As <math>sB : AC :: sC : AB</math>; as before.</p>                                                                                             |
| III.   | $\overline{AC},$<br>$\overline{BC},$<br>$\overline{C}.$  | $\overline{A},$<br>$\overline{B},$<br>$\overline{AB}.$ | <p>As <math>AC + CB : AC - CB :: \frac{A+B}{2} : \frac{A-B}{2}</math>, By <i>Theorem XXIX.</i><br/> Hence the Angles <math>A</math> and <math>B</math> are known, by <i>Theorem</i><br/> Then, As <math>sA : BC :: sC : AB</math>, as before.</p>                                                                                                  |
| IV.    | $\overline{AB},$<br>$\overline{AC},$<br>$\overline{CB}.$ | $\overline{A},$<br>$\overline{B},$<br>$\overline{C}.$  | <p>As <math>AB : AC + CB :: AC - CB : AD - DB</math>, by <i>Theorem XXX.</i><br/> Hence the Segments <math>AD</math> and <math>DB</math>, are known by <i>Theorem</i><br/> And the Angles <math>A</math>, <math>B</math> and <math>C</math>, are found by Resolving the two<br/> Right-angled Triangles <math>ADC</math> and <math>BDC</math>.</p> |

In each *Case* I have referred to the *Theorems* wherein it is demonstrated, which you would do well to Consult, or rather to make your self perfectly acquainted with them; that so you may never be at a loss how to proceed directly in any kind of *Trigonometrical Calculation*. And as I have largely shewn how to solve all the *Cases of Right-angled Plain Triangles* by all the best *Methods* in Use, so it is not necessary here to repeat them; and therefore I shall only give a *Numerical Solution* of these four *Cases of Oblique Triangles* by one of the best *Methods*, viz. by *Artificial Sines* and *Tangents*, or by *Logarithms*.

But as I have done before, so here I have given a Scheme of the *Given Triangle*, and That in the Tables, represented by *Numbers*: The *Given Triangle* is ACB, similar to which, and similarly circumscribed is the *Tabular Triangle* acb. For because by *Theorem XV.* the Sides which are alike in *Similar Triangles* are in Proportion; and also by *Theor. XXVIII.* the Sides of *Plain Triangles* are to each other, as the Sines of their opposite *Angles*; Therefore, As AB : BC ( $:: s C : s A$ )  $:: ab : bc$ ; and so of the other *Sides* and *Angles*.

Case I.



Case I. Given the Angle  $A = 43^\circ 30'$ ;  $B = 59^\circ 30'$ ;  $C = 77^\circ 30'$ , and the Side  $AB = 120$ ; To find the Sides  $AC$  and  $BC$ .

The Analogies for the Side  $AC$ , { As  $aC : AB :: bB : AC$ , in the Synopsis, i.e. As  $ab : AB :: ac : AC$ , in the Scheme.

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Operation.

## Operation.

Com. Arith.

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{As the Tabular Side} \} & ab=9743701000= & 0.0112761 \\
 \text{(or Sine of } 77^{\circ} 00') \} & & \\
 \text{Is to the Side of the} \} & AB= & 120=2.0791812 \\
 \text{Given Triangle,} \} & & \\
 \text{So is the Tabular Side} \} & ac=8616292000= & 9.9353204 \\
 \text{(or Sine of } 59^{\circ} 30') \} & & \\
 \text{To the Side sought} \} & AC= & 106.1=2.0257777 \\
 \text{of the given Trian.} \} & &
 \end{array}$$

To find the Side BC.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{The Analogies} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{As } sB : AC :: sA : BC. \text{ That is,} \\ \text{As } ac : AC :: bc : BC, \text{ in the Scheme.} \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

## Operation.

Com. Arith.

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{As the Tabular Side} \} & ac=8616292000= & 0.0646796 \\
 \text{(or Sine of } 59^{\circ} 30') \} & & \\
 \text{Is to the Side of the} \} & AC= & 106.1=2.0257777 \\
 \text{Given Triangle} \} & & \\
 \text{So is the Tabular Side} \} & bc=6883545000= & 9.8378122 \\
 \text{(or Sine of } 43^{\circ} 30') \} & & \\
 \text{To the Side sought of} \} & BC= & 84.77=1.9282695 \\
 \text{the Given Triangle} \} & &
 \end{array}$$

Case II. Two Sides,  $AC=106.1$ , and  $BC=84.77$ , and an Angle  $A=43^{\circ} 30'$ , opposite to one of them, being Given; thence to find the other Angles and Sides.

Note; As this Case is but the Reverse of the last, it needs no Example; only you must observe, that if one of the two Sides given be the Greatest Side, and the Angle opposite to it be sought, the Angle when found will be ambiguous, that is, 'twill not be certain whether

whether it be Accute or Obtuse; because the Sine of an Arch, and the Sine of that Arch's Complement to 180 Degrees is all one, as I have before shewn; and therefore, in Matters of Consequence, 'twill be best to delineate the *Triangle* by *Method VI.* or by calculating the third *Angle*, in order to resolve the Ambiguity.

Case III. Two Sides  $AC=106.1$ , and  $BC=84.77$ , and the Angle included  $C=77^{\circ} 00'$ , being Given; thence to find the other Parts.

Analogy {  
for the { As  $AC+CB : AC-CB :: \frac{A+B}{2} : \frac{A-B}{2}$ .  
Angles {

*Operation.*

Add { The Side \_\_\_\_\_  $AC=106.1$   
          { The Side \_\_\_\_\_  $CB= 84.77$

The Sum of the two Sides  $AC+CB=190.87$

The Difference of the Sides  $AC-CB= 21.33$

The  $\frac{1}{2}$  Sum of the two Angles  $\frac{A+B}{2}= 51^{\circ} 30'$ .

*Com. Arith.*

Therefore, As the Sum of the {  
two Sides \_\_\_\_\_ }  $190.87=7.7192396$

Is to their Difference \_\_\_\_\_  $21.33=1.3289909$

So is the Tangent of half the {  
Sum of the unknown Angles }  $51^{\circ} 30'=10.0993948$

To the Tangent of half {  
their Difference, \_\_\_\_\_ }  $\frac{A-B}{2}=8^{\circ} 0'=9.1476253$

Therefore to half the Sum of the Angles  $51^{\circ} 30'$   
 Add half the Difference of those Angles—  $8^{\circ} 00'$

The Sum is the Greater Angle—  $B = 59^{\circ} 30'$

The Difference is the Lesser Angle—  $A = 43^{\circ} 30'$

And now the Angles being all known, the other Side AB is to be found by the common *Analogy* of *Case II*.

*Case IV. Given all three Sides, AB=120; AC=106.1; BC=84.77; to find the Angles.*

The *Analogy* for the Segments of the *Base* AD, BD.

As  $AB : AC + CB :: AC - CB : AD - DB$ .

*Operation.*

*Com. Arith.*

As the Greater Side or Base  $AB = 120 = 7.9208188$   
 Is to the Sum of the }  $AC + CB = 190.87 = 2.2807604$   
     other two Sides }

So is the Difference }  $AC - CB = 21.33 = 1.3289909$   
     of those Sides — }

To the Diff. of the Seg.  $AD - DB = 26.95 = 1.4305701$

Hence, to  $\frac{1}{2}$  the Sum of the Seg.  $\frac{AD + DB}{2} = 60$

Add half the Differ. now found,  $\frac{AD - DB}{2} = 13.475$

The Sum is the Greater Segment  $AD = 73.475$

The Difference is the Lesser Segment  $DB = 46.53$

Hence

Hence is the *Oblique Triangle* ABC resolved into the two *Right-angled Triangles* ADC and BDC, in each of which there is the *Base* and *Hypotenuse* Given; consequently the two *Angles* A and B are found by *Case V.* of *Right-angled Triangles* aforegoing. Thus are all the *Cases* of *Oblique-angled Triangles* to be resolved: But there is another Way yet to find the *Angles* in this last *Case* by one *Operation*, and is as follows.

*Another Way to resolve Case IV.*

Add together the three Given Sides  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AC=106.1 \\ AB=120 \\ BC=84.77 \end{array} \right.$

Their Sum is 310.87

The half Sum is 155.43

From which subtract severally the  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{two Sides AC and BC, includ-} \\ \text{ing the Angle sought C; and} \\ \text{their Differences will be:} \end{array} \right. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 49.33 = \text{Diff. AC.} \\ 70.66 = \text{Diff. BC.} \end{array} \right.$

Then to the Arithmetical  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AC=106.1=7.9472846 \\ \text{Complements of the Sides} \\ BC=84.77=8.0717578 \end{array} \right.$   
Add the Logarithms of the  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AC=49.33=1.6931111 \\ \text{Differences before found} \\ BC=70.66=1.8491736 \end{array} \right.$

The Sum of all which is 19.5883271

The half whereof is the Sine of  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \text{half the sought Angle C} \end{array} \right. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ 38^{\circ} 30' = 9.7941635 \end{array} \right.$

Double of which is the Angle C =  $77^{\circ} 00'$ , as required.

Whence the other Angles are found by *Case I.*

These



There are yet other Ways to solve this fourth *Case*; one of which for finding the Segments of the Base, is *Case XII* of *Method IX.* of solving *Plain Triangles* by *Algebra*.

I had Thoughts of adding several *Anomalous Cases* of *Oblique Triangles*, with *Theorems* for their Solution; but I shall omit that, because I have already partly done it by the foregoing ninth *Method* of solving *Right-angled Triangles*, several of the *Cases* there being common also *Oblique Triangles*; and also because such *Cases* do not very often casually occur, and therefore though one should give a Collection of them, it might be to little Purpose; and perhaps, when a *Case* of that Nature happens, it may not be found among them; and lastly, considering that none but the *Algebraists* are sufficient for such Matters, and they not needing any such Supplies, I shall wave it; and pass to the next *Chapter*.

## CH A P. XVII.

*Of the Dimension of the Superficies of a Right and Oblique Plain Triangle; or how to find its Area by certain Sides and Angles given.*

**I**T is a Matter generally of no great Moment or Difficulty, to be able to measure the Superficial Content or Area of any *Plain Triangle*, in one certain Manner, viz. by having Given the Base, and Height

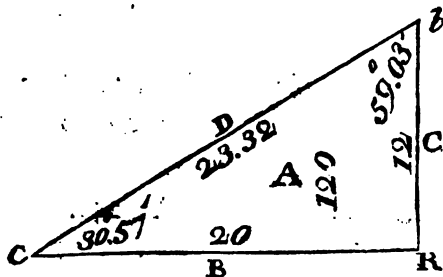
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**Height or Perpendicular :** But if any other Parts of the Triangle be Given, and either the Base, or Perpendicular, or both, be unknown ; then it is not so easy a Thing to assign the Area with Geometrical Truth, by any common Mechanic or Surveyor.

I have therefore designed this *Chapter* to instruct the *Young Geometer* how to find the Area of any *Plain Triangle*, by any sufficient *Data* of Sides, or Sides and Angles mixtly ; and for that Purpose I have exhibited *Theorems* for the true understanding and expeditious Operation of every different *Case* of the *Data* ; which *Theorems* I have not found Given by any other Author, excepting the First only.

And those for a *Right-angled Triangle* are as follows.

In the following *Triangle*, let B = Base ; C = Cathetus ; D = Hypotenuse ; and let c and b represent the Sines of the Angles at which they stand ; and R = Radius, or Sine of the Right-Angle ; and A = the Area.



**Case I.** Given the Base B = 20, and the Cathetus C = 12 ; to find the Area = A ?

**Theorem.**  $\frac{BC}{2} = A = 120.$

**Case II.**

Case II. Given the Base  $B=20$ ; and Hypothenufe  $D=23.32$ ; to find  $A$  = the Area?

$$\text{Theorem. } B\sqrt{D+B \times D-B}=2A=240.$$

Case III. Given the Cathetus  $C=12$ ; and the Hypothenufe  $D=23.32$ ; to find the Area  $A$ ?

$$\text{Theorem. } C\sqrt{D+C \times D-C}=2A=240.$$

Case IV. Given the Base  $B=20$ ; and the Angles  $c=30^\circ 57'$ , and  $b=59^\circ 03'$ ; to find the Area  $=A$ ?

$$\text{Theorem. } \frac{BBe}{b}=2A=240.$$

Case V. Given the Cathetus  $C=12$ ; and the Angles  $c=30^\circ 57'$ ; and  $b=59^\circ 03'$ ; to find  $A$  = Area?

$$\text{Theorem. } \frac{CCb}{c}=2A=240.$$

Case VI. Given the Hypothenufe  $D=23.32$ ; and the Angles  $c=30^\circ 57'$ ; and  $b=59^\circ 03'$ ; to find the Area  $=A$ ?

$$\text{Theorem. } \frac{DDbc}{RR}=2A=240.$$

Case VII. Given the Base  $B=20$ ; the Hypothenufe  $D=23.32$ ; and Angle at Base  $c=30^\circ 57'$ ; to find  $A$ ?

$$\text{Theorem. } \frac{DBc}{R}=2A=240.$$

Case VIII.

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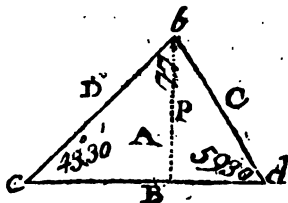
**Case VIII.** *Given the Cathetus C=12; and Hypothenufe D=23.32; and Angle at Perpendicular b=59° 03'; to find the Area=A?*

$$\text{Theorem. } \frac{DCb}{R} = 2A = 240.$$

Thus by having any two Sides, or any one Side and the Angles Given, in any Right-angled Triangle, the Area is found with ease by the foregoing Theorems.

Now follow the Theorems in like Manner for finding the Area of an Oblique-angled Triangle.

**Case I.** *Given in the adjacent Oblique Triangle, the Angles b=43° 30'; d=59° 30'; and c=77°; and the Side B=12; to find the Area=A?*



$$\text{Theorem. } \frac{BBed}{Rb} = 2A.$$

**Case II.** *Given two Sides D=10.61; and C=8.47; and the Angle included, b=77° 00'; to find the Area=A?*

$$\text{Theorem. } \frac{DCb}{R} = 2A.$$

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Case III.

Case III. Given the three Sides  $B=12$ ;  $D=10.61$ ; and  $C=8.47$ ; thence to find the Area  $=A$ ?

See the *Theorem* for this Case, in Case XXI. of the Ninth Method of solving Plain Triangles by Algebra.

The first *Theorem* for the Right-angled Triangle, is common to all Plain Triangles; and therefore  $\frac{BP}{2}=A$  the Area of the Oblique Triangle here.

The Reason of this common *Theorem* is from the Geometrical *Theorem* IX. where 'tis shewn, that a Triangle is just half its circumscribing Parallelogram; and therefore as the Base and Height of any Plain Triangle and its Parallelogram are the same; and the Product of these being the Area of the Parallelogram; it follows, that half that Product is the Area of the Triangle.

I shall illustrate this Affair by exemplifying Case I, II, and VI, of the Right Triangle; and Case III of the Oblique One, by Logarithms.

Case I. *Theorem.*  $\frac{BC}{2}=A.$

To the Logarithm of the Base  $B=20=1.3010300$   
Add the Logar. of the Cathetus  $C=12=1.0791812$

The Sum is the Logarithm of  $BC=240=2.3802112$

Which divided by 2, is  $\frac{BC}{2}=120=A$  the Area

Case II.

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Case II. Theorem.  $B\sqrt{D+B}\times D-B=2A$ .

To the Logar. of the Sum }  $D+B=43.32=1.6366884$   
of the Base and Hypot. }

Add the Logar. of their }  $D-B=3.32=0.5211381$   
Difference ————— }

The Sum is —————  $D+B\times D-B=2.1578265$

The half Sum is —————  $\sqrt{D+B}\times D-B=1.0789132$

To that add the Logar. of the Base  $B=20=1.3010300$

The Sum, is the Logarithm }  $2A=240=2.3799432$   
of the Double Area, ————— }  
as before.

Case VI. Theorem.  $\frac{DDbc}{RR}=2A$ .

The Logar. of the Hypoth.  $D=23.32=1.3677285$

The same again —————  $1.3677285$

Add the Sine of the Ang. at Base  $c=30^{\circ}57'=9.7112080$

And the Sine of the Ang. at Perp.  $b=59^{\circ}03'=9.9332931$

The Sum of all is the Logar. of  $DDbc=21.3799581$

From which subtract Double }  $=RR=20.0000000$   
Logarithm of Radius, ————— }

There remains the Logarithm }  $2A=240=1.3799581$   
of the Double Area, ————— }  
as before.

Case III. Of the Oblique Triangle resolved.

Theorem.  $\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{FG\times FH\times HE\times EG}=A$ ,

From a due Consideration of the Structure of the Scheme to Case XXI. of Method IX. You may observe the several Parts of this Theorem, to answer to the Sides, &c. of this Oblique Triangle as is here set down, viz.

U 2

FG

$$\begin{aligned}
 FG &= B + C + D, \text{ the sum of the three Sides, viz. } 31.08 \\
 FH &= B + D - C = 12 + 10.16 - 8.47 = 14.14 \\
 HE &= D + C - B = 10.61 + 8.47 - 12 = 7.88 \\
 EG &= B + C - D = 12 + 8.47 - 10.61 = 9.86
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the Operation is very easy by *Logarithms*, thus;

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 \text{Add the Logarithms of--} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} FG = 31.08 = 1.4924810 \\ FH = 14.14 = 1.1504494 \\ HE = 7.88 = 0.8969338 \\ EG = 9.86 = 0.9938769 \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

$$\text{The Sum of all is } \underline{\hspace{2cm}} 4.4868406$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 \frac{1}{2} \text{ Sum is the Logar. of the Squ. Root } 175.1 & = & 2.2434203 \\
 \text{Subduct the Logarithm of } 4 & = & 0.6020600
 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Remains the Log. of the Area, } A = 43.78 = 1.6413603$$

Thus I have shewn a *Method very General, and New* (as to the Form) for finding the Area's of all *Plane Triangles* with great Exactness and Expedition. They who would see the Demonstration of this last excellent *Theorem* (or rather its Analytic Investigation) may be satisfied by consulting *Problem XXXIII* and *LI.* of Sir *Isaac Newton's Algebra*.

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# The Second Part:

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CONTAINING,

The Application of *Plain Trigonometry* to the Ten following Mathematical Arts and Sciences.

*Viz.*

- I. *Navigation* in Six several Kinds.
- II. *Cosmography* and *Geography*.
- III. *Astronomy*.
- IV. *Fortification*.
- V. *The Doctrine of Projectiles*, or *Gunnery*.
- VI. *Mechanics*, or *Science of Motion*.
- VII. *Altimetry* and *Longimetry*.
- VIII. *Surveying*, &c.
- IX. *Optics* in both its Branches.
- X. *Perspective*.

In all which are many Propositions very rare and curious; and several not any where else to be found. The Whole being a more compleat Application of this Art, than was ever yet extant.





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## CHAP. I.

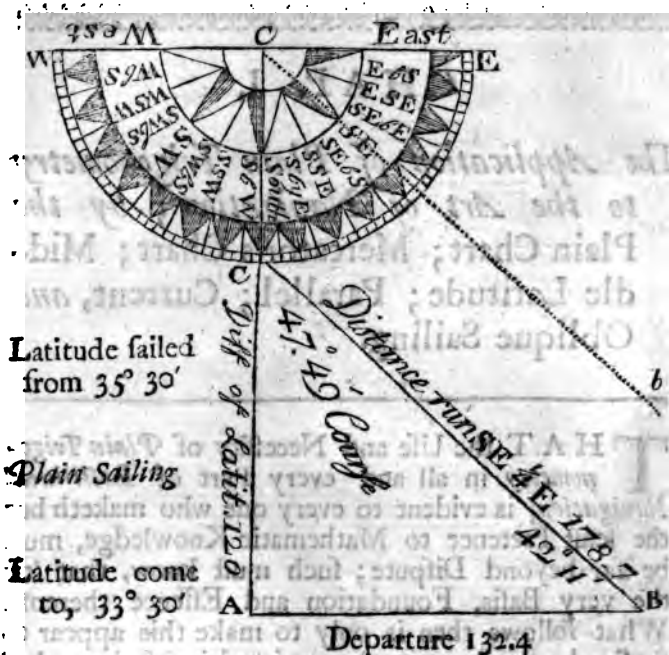
*The Application of Plain Trigonometry to the Art of Navigation; by the Plain Chart; Mercator's Chart; Middle Latitude; Parallel; Current, and Oblique Sailing.*

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**T**HAT the Use and Necessity of *Plain Trigonometry* in all and every Part of *Rectilineal Navigation*, is evident to every one who maketh but the least Pretence to Mathematic Knowledge, must be far beyond Dispute; such must know, that 'tis the very Basis, Foundation and Essence thereof: What follows then is only to make this appear to those who are as yet unacquainted in Mathematical Studies, and have a desire to be informed therein; and may notwithstanding serve as an *Amanuensis* even to the Speculative Mathematician; who for want of constant Practice, must stand in need sometimes of making a cursory Review or Perusal of the various Parts of this Art.

I shall begin with shewing how a *Right-angled Plain Triangle* is applied to Sailing by the *Plain Chart*, called *Plain Sailing*.

Latitude



In the Figure above, WCE represents one half of the *Sea-Compass*, divided into its proper Points or Winds, assigned by their proper Names.

Suppose a Ship in the Latitude of  $35^{\circ} 30'$  North, sets sail between the South and East Points, suppose  $4\frac{1}{4}$  Points to the East, or on the Rumb SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  E. which makes an Angle with the Meridian or South Point, of  $47^{\circ} 49'$ ; and she saileth 'till her Difference of Latitude be just  $2^{\circ}$ , or 120 Miles, or 40 Leagues; and it be required to find her Distance run, and Departure from her first Meridian, or Difference of Longitude.

In this Case, let C represent the Ships first Place in Latitude  $35^{\circ} 30'$ , then continue the Meridian Line of

of the Compass  $cC$  to  $A$ , and make  $CA=120$  Miles; and now because, in the Compass, the dotted Line  $b c$  is the Rumb on which the Ship sails, and  $b c C$  the Angle of the Course; therefore if from the Point  $C$  there be drawn the Line  $CB$  parallel to  $cb$ , the Angle  $BCA$  shall be equal to the Angle  $b c C$  (or  $b c A$ .) by *Theorem III*; and consequently the Angle  $C$  is the Ship's Course, and the Line  $CB$  the Rumb on which she runs her Distance; on  $A$  draw the Line  $AB$  at Right Angles, and continue it 'till it meet the Rumb  $CB$  in  $B$ ; then is the Line  $BA$  the Departure, or Difference of Longitude the Ship has made in sailing from  $C$  to  $B$ .

From this Construction 'tis evident there ariseth a Right-angled Triangle, *viz.* The Triangle  $ACB$  Right-angled at  $A$ ; in which,

1. The *Catetus*  $AC$ , is the Difference of Latitude.
2. The *Base*  $AB$ , is the Departure; or Difference of Longitude.
3. The *Hypotenuse*  $CB$ , is the Rumb on which the Distance is sailed.
4. The *Angle at Perpendicular*  $ACB$ , is the Ship's Course. And
5. The *Angle at Base*  $ABC$ , is the Complement of the Course.

From all this 'tis manifest, that the Solution of Cases of Sailing by the *Plain Chart*, is nothing else but the Resolving the several Cases of a *Right-angled Plain Triangle* by any of the foregoing *Methods*.

### *Example of all the Six Cases.*

- I. Given the Ships Difference of Latitude  $AC=120$  Miles; and Course  $SE \frac{1}{4} E$ , or the Angle  $C=47^{\circ} 49'$ .

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Then

Then by *Case II*, of *Right Triangles*, the Distance run BC will be found to be 178.7 Miles; and the Departure AB=132.4 Miles, or  $2^{\circ} 12'$  Difference of Longitude.

II. *Given the Ship's Course C, and Distance CB, as before found; Then will the Difference of Latitude CA, and Departure AB, be found, by Case III of Right Triangles.*

III. *Given the Course C, and Departure AB; then is the Distance run CB, and Difference of Latitude AC, found by Case I of Right Triangles.*

IV. *Given the Distance run CB, and Difference of Latitude AC; then shall the Course C and Departure AB, be found by Case VI of Right Triangles.*

V. *Given the Difference of Latitude AC, and Departure AB; then the Course C, and Distance sailed CB, is found by Case IV of Right Triangles.*

VI. *Given the Distance sailed CB, and the Departure AB; then will the Difference of Latitude CA, and the Course C, be found by Case V of Right-angled Triangles.*

And these are all the *Cases of Plain Sailing*; which cannot need the *Operations in Numbers* to make it more evident and intelligible than it is already in every Part, to any one who understands the foregoing Doctrine of *Plain Right-angled Triangles*.

In this *Chart* the Degrees of Longitude are supposed equal to the Degrees of Latitude in any Place the Ship is in; and therefore as the Degrees of Latitude

titude are represented in Right-Lines, so are the Degrees of Longitude; and hence the Departure and Difference of Longitude, in this kind of Sailing, are all one Thing; but this Supposition is intirely false; and the whole *Chart* founded thereon is erroneous; for the Degrees of Latitude are equal to the Degrees of Longitude only in the *Equator*, but in no other Parallel of Latitude whatever; and therefore this *Chart* can no where be exact, and is of use only in these Parts which lie near the *Equator*, and in *Coast Sailing*.

### *Mercator's Sailing.*

**I**N order to have a pretty good Notion of *Mercator Sailing*, or *Navigation by Mercator's Chart*, the following Things are to be well attended, on which this Sort of Sailing wholly depends, *viz.*

*First*, If it be proposed to delineate the Parallels and Rumb-Lines, as well as the Meridians, on a Plane, (with *Exactness*) in Right-Lines; then because the Degrees on the Parallels decrease in the Proportion of the Co-sine of the Latitude of the Parallel to the Radius, or as Radius to the Secant of the Latitude (as will appear by and by in *Parallel Sailing*.) Therefore in framing this *Chart* the Degrees of Latitude on the Meridians must be enlarged in the same Proportion; toward each Pole; in order that the Degrees of Longitude on the Parallels, may be equal to those on the *Equator*; and so the Meridians all lie parallel; and the Proportion of Easting and Westing, and of Northing and Southing, may be still the same.

*Secondly*, 'Tis evident then, that the Length of a Degree, or any other small Arch on the Meridian

thus enlarged, is every where equal to the Secant of its Latitude; For, as Radius 1000 : 60, the nautical Miles in a common Degree of the Meridian, : : 1228 the Secant of  $35^{\circ} 30'$  Latitude : 73.68 Miles, an enlarged Degree of the Meridian in that Latitude.

*Thirdly*, The Distance of any Point of the enlarged Meridian from the Equator is equal to the Sum of all the enlarged Degrees or Secants, between it and the Equator.

*Fourthly*, The Distance between any two Parallels on the same Side of the Equator is equal to the Difference of the Sums of all the enlarged Degrees or Secants contained between the Equator and each of the Parallels. Thus,

The Sum of the enlarged Degrees to  $35^{\circ} 30'$  is 3281

The Sum of the same to ———  $33^{\circ} 30'$  is 2135

The Difference of these Sums ——— is 1146

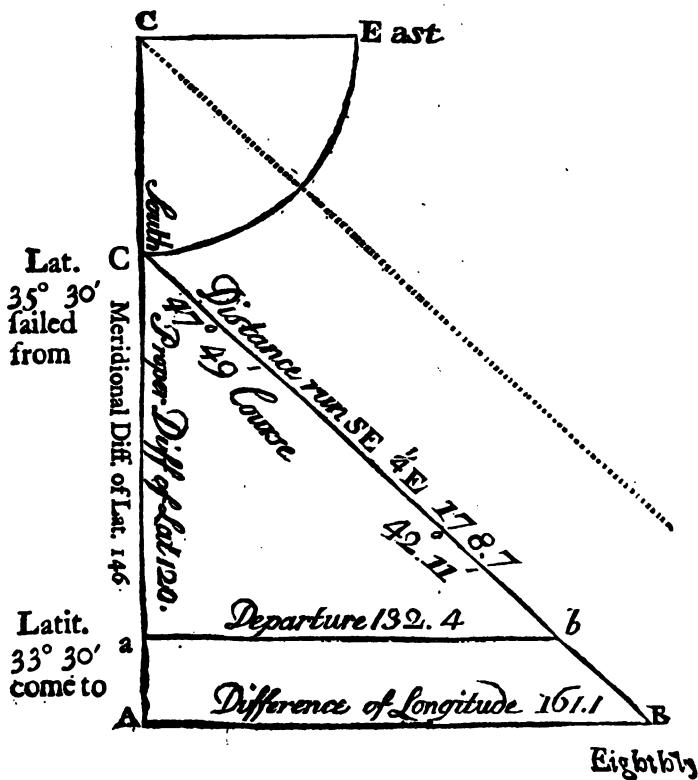
Which therefore is the Distance of the two Parallels of  $35^{\circ} 30'$ , and  $33^{\circ} 30'$  Latitude, North or South.

*Fifthly*, The Distance of any two Parallels on contrary Sides of the Equator, is equal to the Sum of the Sums of all the enlarged Degrees or Secants, contained between the Equator and each Parallel.

*Sixthly*, By the continual Addition of those Secants or enlarged Degrees, is framed a Table, called, *A Table of Meridional Parts*; or (as they may be called) *Mercatorial Miles*; also hereby is the Scale of *Meridional Parts* graduated.

*Seventhly*,

*Seventhly*, Since in this *Chart* the Meridians are all Parallel Right-Lines; the Rumbs also, (whose Property is always to make equal Angles with all the Meridians) will here be all strait Lines; consequently the Ship's Way, Course, Difference of Latitude and Longitude, &c. will in this *Chart* also form a *Right-angled Triangle*; and if the proper Difference of Latitude and Departure be therein represented, there will be constituted two *Similar Triangles*; one defective, proper to the *Plain Chart*; the other true and correct, proper to the *Chart*, or Kind of Sailing, now under Consideration.





*Eighthly*, Now let the Case before resolved by the *Plain Chart*, be here resumed; in the preceeding *Scheme* then  $Ca$  is the proper Difference of Latitude given;  $Cb$  is the Distance run; and  $a b$ , the Departure, as in *Plain Sailing*: But that being erroneous, is corrected by this Method; for in the Triangle  $ACB$ , there

*First*,  $CA$  is the enlarged Difference of Latitude.

*Secondly*,  $AB$  is the enlarged or real Difference of Longitude.

*Thirdly*,  $CB$  is the enlarged Distance; and

*Fourthly*,  $ACB$ , is the Angle of the Course, as before.

I. Now in the Triangle  $ACB$ , there is given  $AC=146$ , (the enlarged Difference of Latitude by Article 4.) and the Course  $SE \frac{1}{4} E.$  or  $47^{\circ} 49'$  the Quantity of the Angle  $ACB$  to find the Rest.

Then by Case II of *Right-angled Triangles*, the Difference of Longitude  $AB$ , will be found  $161.1.$  or  $4^{\circ} 01'$ . The Departure  $a b=132.4$ ; and the Distance  $Cb=178.7.$  as before.

II. Given one Latitude, Course  $ACB$ , and Distance  $Cb$ ; then the proper and enlarged Difference of Latitude  $Ca$ ,  $CA$ ; and the Departure  $a b$ , and Difference of Longitude  $AB$  are found by Case III and II of *Right Triangles*.

III. Given

- III. Given the Difference of Latitude  $Ca$ , and  $CA$ ; and Distance  $Cb$ ; then the Course  $aCb$ , and Departure  $a b$ , are found by Case IV; and the Difference of Longitude  $AB$ , by Case II of Right Triangles.
- IV. Given the Difference of Latitude  $C a$ ,  $CA$ ; and Difference of Longitude  $AB$ ; then shall the Course  $ACB$ , and Distance  $Cb$ , be found by Case IV; and the Departure by Case II or III of Right Triangles.
- V. Given one Latitude  $C$ , Course  $ACB$ , and Difference of Longitude  $AB$ ; then the Difference of Latitude  $AC$  and  $a C$ , is found by Case I; and the Distance  $Cb$ , and Departure  $a b$ , by Case II of Right Triangles.
- VI. Given Difference of Latitude  $C a$ ,  $CA$ ; and the Departure  $ab$ ; then the Course  $ACB$ , and Distance  $Cb$ , are found by Case IV; and the Difference of Longitude  $AB$ , by Case II; or thus: (by Theorem XV.) as  $Ca : CA :: a b : AB$ . That is, as the proper Difference of Latitude : the enlarged Difference :: the Departure : the Difference of Longitude.

These are the principal Cases of *Mercator's Sailing*: This Chart was indeed first published by *Mercator*, and was therefore called by his Name; but was first demonstrated by one *Mr. Edward Wright*, our own Countryman.

In this *Diagram* for *Middle Latitude Sailing*,  
 $Ca=FA$  is the Difference of the two Latitudes  
 given.

$ACb=aCb$  is the Course (as before)  $SE \frac{1}{4} E$ . or  
 $47^{\circ} 49'$ .

$Cb$ , is the Distance Sailed.

$ab$ , is the Departure; and  $AB$ , the Difference  
 of Longitude.

So that the Parts of the Ship's Motion are here  
 found in two *Right-angled Triangles*  $aCb$ , and  $AFB$ ,  
 as in *Mercator Sailing*; only there they were Similar,  
 but here they are not. The Solution then of a *Right*  
*Triangle* performs all the Conclusions of *Middle La-*  
*titude Sailing*. This kind of Sailing is wholly con-  
 tained in the two following *Theorems* or *Analogies*:

$$\text{Viz. } \begin{cases} \text{As } FQ : OQ :: FA : AB: \\ \text{As } R : SC :: Cb : ab. \end{cases}$$

*The first Analogy in Words.*

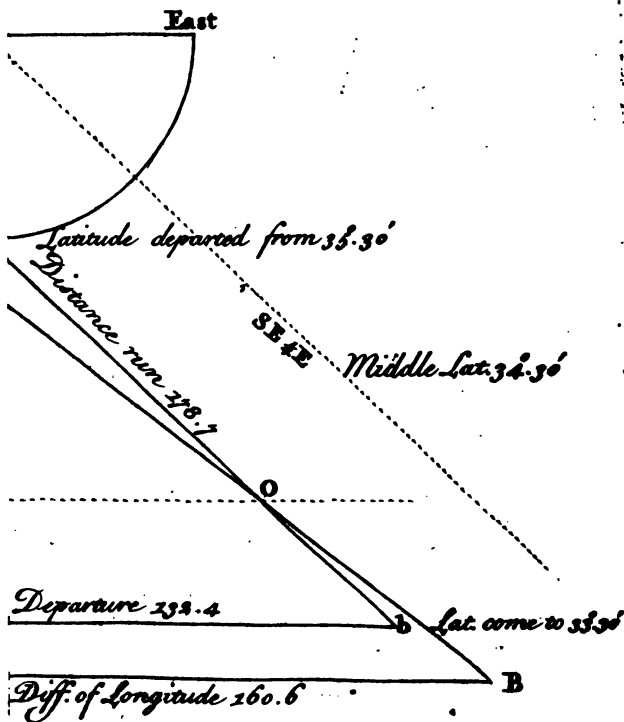
As the Co-Sine of Middle Latitude,  $FQ$   
 Is to the Tangent of the Course,  $—OQ$   
 So is the Difference of Latitude  $—FA$   
 To the Difference of Longitude  $—AB$ .

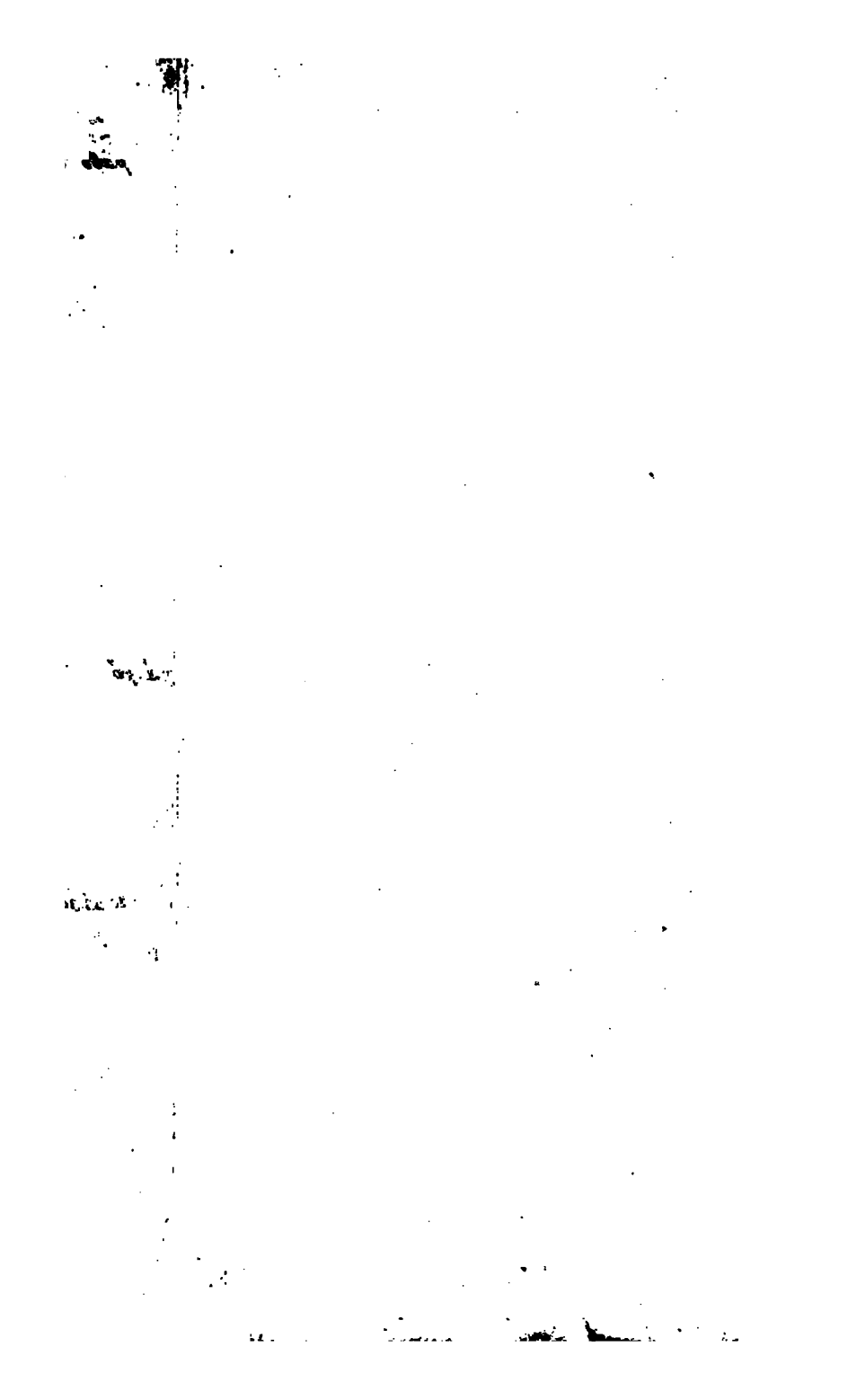
*The Second Analogy in Words.*

As Radius  $R$  : is to the Sine of the Course  $C$ ,  
 So is the Distance  $Cb$ , to the Departure  $ab$ .

The Demonstration of the first *Analogy* is easy, thus:  
 In the Quadrant  $ELC$ , the Middle Latitude is set  
 from  $E$  to  $L$ ; and therefore  $Le$ , is the Sine, and  
 $eQ$  the Co-Sine of Middle Latitude; but  $eQ =$   
 $FQ$ ; and  $OQ$  is the Tangent of the Angle  $OCQ$ ;  
viz.

# Latitude Sailing.





*viz.* the Courſe; farther, the *Triangles* OFQ, and BF'A, are ſimilar to each other; and therefore their like Sides will be proportionable, *viz.*

As FQ : OQ :: FA : AB; by Theorem XV.

The Second *Analogy* is only *Cafe* II. of *Right-angled Plain Triangles*.

Suppoſe both the Latitudes given, *viz.*  $35^{\circ} 30'$  and  $33^{\circ} 30'$ , and the Courſe SE  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. or  $47^{\circ} 49'$ , as before; to find the Difference of Longitude, Diſtance and Departure,

The two Latitudes —  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 35^{\circ} 30' \text{ — Departed from} \\ 33^{\circ} 30' \text{ — Come to} \end{array} \right.$

The Sum thereof —  $69^{\circ} 00'$

The half Sum is —  $34^{\circ} 30'$  the Mid. Latitude

The Diff. of Latitudes —  $2^{\circ} 00'$ , or 120 Miles.

Now to find the Difference of Longitude, ſay;

As Co-Sine of Mid. Latitude —  $34^{\circ} 30' = 0.840063$  *Com. Arith.*

Is to the Tangent of the Courſe —  $C = 47.49 = 10.0427689$

So is the Diff. of Latitude FA = 120 =  $2.0791812$

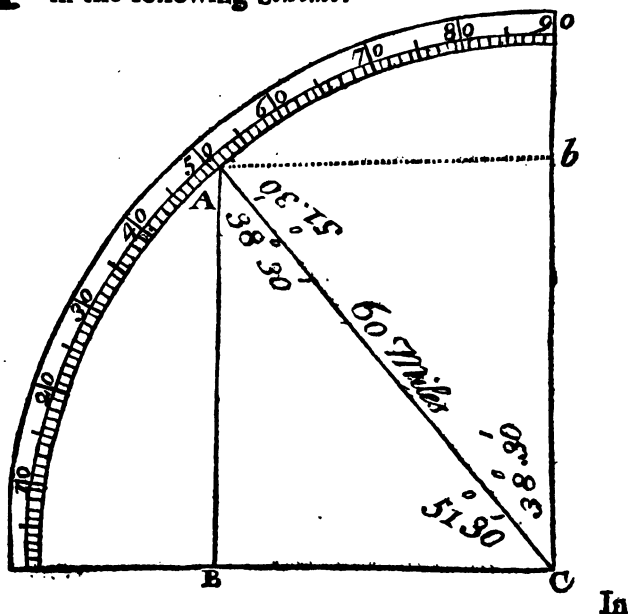
To the Diff. of Longitude AB =  $160.6 = 2.2059564$

The Diſtance and Departure, are found as in both the preceeding *Methods* of Sailing, and of the ſame Quantity.

Whatever Case shall happen is speedily resolved by the foregoing *Analogies*, and though not so precisely true as by *Mercator's Chart*, yet is so very near, as that the Difference is of little Regard; and this *Method* hath this Compensation, as to be clear and void of all Ambiguity, which *Mercator's Sailing* is not. This is performed without *Tables of Meridional Parts*, with the equal Ease of any *Plain Triangle*; wherefore on these, and several other Accounts, this Kind of *Navigation* is deservedly esteemed an ingenious Invention, and more naturally exact and expeditious than any other, *Mercator's* not excepted.

### Parallel Sailing.

**T**HE *Theory* of this Sort of Sailing is contained in the following *Scheme*.



In this *Scheme*, let AB be the Sine of  $51^{\circ} 30'$  North Latitude, then shall Ab be the Co-Sine of that Latitude, and also the Radius of the Parallel thereof; and AC the Radius of a Great Circle of the Sphere.

Of these Lines there is composed two equal and equiangular Triangles, CAB, and CAb. Make Radius AC=60, the Miles in one Degree of a Great Circle; and there will be Given the Hypothenuſe and the Angles in each: Hence it will be,

- I. As the Radius of the Equator AC ——— 10.0000000  
 Is to the Co-Sine } A b=BC= $38^{\circ} 30' = 9.7941496$   
 of the Latitude }  
 So is the Length of one De- } 60 = 1.7781512  
 gree in the Equator, — }  
 To the Length of one Degree } 37.35 = 1.5723008  
 in the Parallel. ——— }

- II. As the Length of one Degree in the Equator,  
 60 Miles;  
 Is to the Length of one Degree in the Parallel of  
 $51^{\circ} 30'$ , 37.35 Miles;  
 So is any Difference of Longitude in the Equator,  
 in Miles;  
 To any Similar Part, or Distance Sailed, on the  
 given Parallel.

- III. As the Co-Sine of any Parallel, : is to Radius;  
 So is any Distance Sailed on that Parallel,  
 To the Difference of Longitude on the Equator.

- IV. As the Co-Sine of any one Parallel,  
 Is to the Co-Sine of any other Parallel;  
 So is the Length of any Arch on the first Paral-  
 lel, in Miles,  
 To the Length of the same Arch on the other,  
 in Miles.



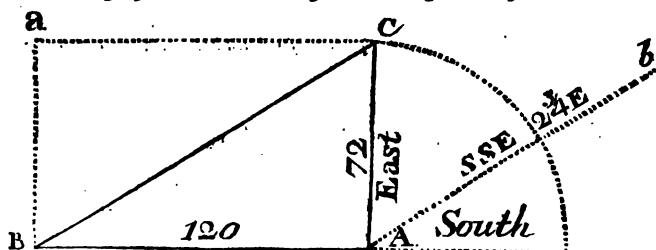
These Proportions evidently flow from the Construction of the *Scheme* above; and from the Proportionality of the Radii of Circles, to the Circles themselves, and also to their Similar Parts; than which scarce any Thing is more commonly known, or more easily proved. And by them are all the Cases of *Parallel Sailing* resolved without any Difficulty, or farther Instruction; my Purpose being only to shew the young Student, how both Theory and Practice of *Navigation* especially, and most other Arts Mathematical, depends on and ariseth from the Nature, Proportion, and Solution of *Plain Triangles*.

### Current Sailing.

**S**OME Cases of this Sailing require no Trigonometry:

- I. As, suppose a Ship sails  $SE \frac{1}{4} E$ . at the rate of six Miles an Hour, in a Current that sets  $SE \frac{1}{4} E$ .  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Miles an Hour. 'Tis plain the Ships true Motion or Rate of Sailing is the Sum of the Motions both of its Self and of the Current, viz.  $8\frac{1}{2}$  in an Hour on the same Rumb.
- II. If a Ship sail  $SE \frac{1}{4} E$ . at the rate of eight Miles an Hour, in a Current that sets  $NW \frac{1}{2} W$ . 5 Miles an Hour. Here 'tis manifest the Difference of the Motion of the Ship and Current (as being directly opposite) will be the true Rate of the Sailing, viz. three Miles an Hour.
- III. Some Cases require the Solution of a Right-angled Triangle; as suppose a Ship sail directly South 120 Miles in 24 Hours; and in a Current that sets 72 Miles

Miles East in the same Time, and her Course and Distance be required. In the adjacent Figure, let BA represent the Line of the Ships Course N and S.



when she is at B; and let AC be the East Line of the setting of the Current; then shall the Angle ABC be the Ships true Course arising from this compound Motion; and BC the Rumb Line, on which she has sailed from B to C.

Hence in the Triangle ABC, Right-angled at A, there are Given the Side AB=120 Miles; and AC=72 Miles; to find the Ship's Course ABC; by Case IV. of Right Triangles.

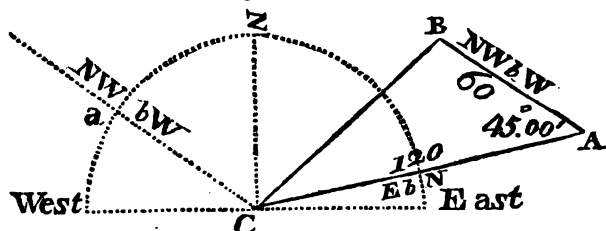
Thus, As the Ship's pro- } AB=120= 2.0791812  
per Motion ——— }  
Is to the Current's } AC= 72= 1.8573325  
Motion. ——— }  
So is Radius ——— 10.0000000

To the Tangent } ABC=30°57'= 9.7781513  
of the Ship's }  
true Course — }

Therefore the Ship doth really sail SSE 2 1/4 E; and her Distance sailed, is  $\sqrt{AB^2 + AC^2} = BC = 124.8$  Miles.

IV. Some Cases require the Solution of an Oblique Triangle; thus, Suppose a Ship sail E b N. at the Rate of 120 in 24 Hours; in a Current that sets NW b W.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Miles an Hour; and her Course and Distance be required.

In the Scheme adjoined, let CA represent the Ship's proper Motion; and AB the Motion of the Current NW b W. (as being parallel to Ca); then shall the



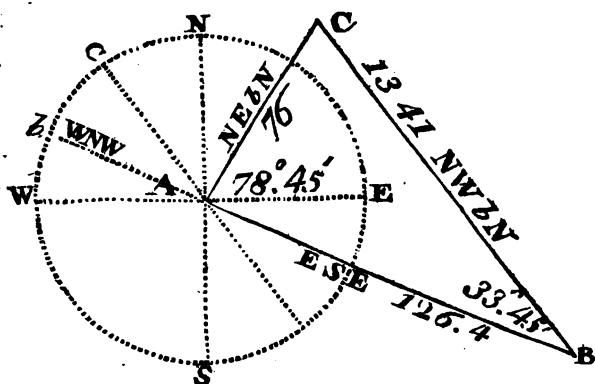
Angle ACB be the Ship's Course; and CB the Rumb or Distance sailed; and B the Place to which the Ship is arrived.

Hence in the *Oblique Triangle* ACB, there is Given two Sides  $CA=120$ , and  $AB=60$ ; and the Angle included  $CAB=45^\circ 00'$ , as being equal to four Points; then by *Case III.* of *Oblique Triangles*, there will be found the true Course  $ACB=33^\circ 45'$ , which added to  $11^\circ 15'$  or E b N. makes  $45^\circ$ , and shews the Rumb CB to be NE. and the Distance sailed thereon from C to B, will be found to be 76.36 Mles; by *Case I.*

### Oblique Sailing.

I. **SUPPOSE** two Ships sail from the same Port A, the one sails NE b N. 76 Miles; the other sails ESE. to B, where she saw the first Ship bear NW b N.

**NWbN.** The Distance of this second Ship from the Port A, and from the other Ship at C, is demanded?



In the *Oblique Triangle* ABC, there are Given the Angle  $CAB = 78^\circ 45'$ , or seven Points, (AC being five Points to the North, and AB two Points to the South, of the East Point E). Also the Angle  $ABC = 33^\circ 45'$ ; as being the Difference between NWbN. and WNW. viz. three Points; consequently, as the Angles A and B together make ten Points, the third Angle C must be six Points, or  $67^\circ 30'$ . Wherefore all the Angles, and one Side  $AC = 76$  Miles, are Given; to find the other two Sides AB and BC.

Whence by *Case I.* of *Oblique Triangles*, there will be found the Distance of the second Ship from the Port A, viz.  $AB = 126.4$ ; and from the first Ship at C, viz.  $CB = 134.1$  Miles, as required.

II. Suppose two Ports A and B lying ESE. and WNW. off each other; and from the westernmost Port A, a Ship sails NEbN. 76 Miles; another Ship departs from the Easternmost Port B, and sails 134.1 Miles, and then meets the former at C. Quere the

*the Distance of the two Ports, and the Course the Ship has steered?*

In the *Oblique Triangle* ACB, there are Given the Side AC=76 Miles; and the Side BC=134.1; and an Angle opposite to one of them, *viz.* the Angle CAB; for C is five Points to the North, and B two Points to the South of the East Point E; the Angle A then is seven Points or  $78^{\circ} 45'$ : Whence by *Case II. of Oblique Triangles*; there will be found the other Side AB=126.4 the Distance of the two Ports; and the Angle ABC= $33^{\circ} 45'$ , consequently the second Ship's Course was on the Rumb BC parallel to c A, NW b N. as required.

III. *Admit I sail from a certain Port A, 126.4 Miles ESE; but by a sudden Change of Wind, am obliged to traverse that Course on the NW b N. Rumb 134.1 Miles; how far am I from the Port A, and on what Point have I made my Way good?*

By the two Given Sides AB=126.4 Miles; and BC=134.1 Miles; and the Angle included ABC= $33^{\circ} 45'$ , the Difference of the NW b N. and WNW. Points; there will be found, by *Case III. of Oblique Triangles*, the Angle BAC= $78^{\circ} 45'$ ; and therefore, since AB is ESE. the Course from A to C is NE b N; and the Way made good from the Port A to C, will be found AC=76 Miles, as required.

IV. *There are two Ports A and B lying ESE. and WNW. off each other, and distant apart 126.4 Miles; and there is an Island C lying Northward, distant from the Westermost Port A 76 Miles; and from the Eastermost Port B 134.1 Miles, it is demanded on what Points the said Island C bears from either Port A and B?*

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In the *Oblique Triangle* ABC, having the three Sides given, the Angles are to be found by *Case IV.* of *Oblique Triangles*; thus the Angle A shall be found  $78^{\circ}45'$ , and shews the Island C bears NE b N. from the Port A; and the Angle B will be found  $33^{\circ}45'$ , and therefore C must bear NW b N. from the Port B, and thus the *Problem* is satisfied.

These are all the direct or most usual *Cases of Oblique Sailing*, which are sufficient to shew how the whole Doctrine of *Oblique angled-Triangles* is concerned to resolve *Problems* in this Sort of Navigation; and also how any other *Cases of Oblique Sailing*, like to these here specified, may be easily resolved by any one who has learned what hath been before delivered of *Oblique Trigonometry*.

Thus I have finished a copious Application of the whole Art of *Right-lined Trigonometry* to the various kinds of *Plain or Rectilineal Sailing*; what relates to great *Great Circle Sailing*, and to the making and Sailing by the *Globular Chart*, will be delivered in the Second Part of this Work.

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CHAP.

## C H A P. II.

*Plain Trigonometry applied to Cosmography, in Measuring the Globe of the Earth, and its several Parts; also of the Atmosphere, Rain-bow, Clouds, &c.*

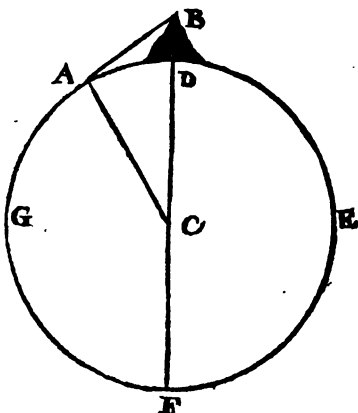
**C**osmography, according to the Etymology of the Word, (which is composed of  $\kappa\omicron\sigma\mu\omicron\varsigma$ , *Mundus, the World*; and  $\gamma\epsilon\alpha\gamma\eta$ , *Scriptum, a Description*;) signifies a Description of the World in general, including all that is known or to be known of the Heavens and the Earth. But in a more limited Sense, it is taken for the Science of this terrestrial Globe on which we live, with its Appendages, as the *Atmosphere*, its *Meteors*, &c.

I shall apply the Doctrine of *Plain Trigonometry* to *Cosmography* only in this latter Acceptation; and shall shew how by its Service, the Dimensions of the whole Earth, and its several Parts, as the *Torrid, Temperate* and *Frigid Zones*; the Height of the *Clouds*; of the *Atmosphere*; the *Dimensions* of the *Rain-bow*, &c.

And first of all I shall shew how by *Trigonometry*, the Circumference, Diameter, and consequently the

The Magnitude of the whole Earth was attempted by the Ancients; who for that Purpose used several Methods; as

I. Suppose, in the adjacent Figure A E F G represents a great Circle, or the Circumference of the Earth; and BD the perpendicular Height of some Mountain, as Tene-riff for Instance; and A the farthest Point of Sight, from the Top thereof.



Now by good Instruments, the Angle ABD may be taken, and the Side AB may be known, and the Angle at A being a Right one, there is, in the *Right-angled Triangle* ABC, Given the Side AB=179.5 Miles suppose; and all the Angles supposing B=87° 25', to find the Side AC or Semidiameter of the Earth.

Then by *Case II. of Right-angled Triangles*, say;

|                        |   |                          |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| As the Angle at the    | } | ACB= 2° 35' = 1.3460899  |
| Earth's Center ———     |   |                          |
| Is to the Side AB in   | } | 179.5 = 2.2541210        |
| Miles, viz. ———        |   |                          |
| So is the Angle at the | } | ABC= 87° 25' = 9.9995636 |
| Summit ———             |   |                          |
| To the Earth's Semi-   | } | AC = 3979 = 3.5997739    |
| diameter ———           |   |                          |



Hence the Earth's Diameter is about 7958 Miles and 7958 multiplied by 3.1416 will give the Circumference of the whole Earth about 25020 *English* Miles.

II. *Some, when the Mountain is not so very high, proceed by a second Method, thus;*

Suppose BD be the Altitude of a Mountain, equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$  a Mile, and the Distance A, the Bound of Vision, be found 44.6 Miles; now the Arch AD being so very small a Portion of the Earth's Circumference, may be taken for a Right-Line; and then in the Triangle ADB, Right-angled at D, there is Given the Side BD=.5, and AD=44.6, *English* Miles; to find the Angle BAD. Now this Angle is found by *Case IV.* of *Right Triangles*, to contain 38 Minutes. But (by Similarity of Triangles) the Angle A is equal to the Angle at C, whose Measure is the small Arch AD; wherefore say, as the small Arch 38' : is to 44.6 Miles :: so is 60' : to about 70 Miles; the Miles in one Degree being thus known, the whole Periphery, (which contains 360 Degrees) is easily known.

Or otherwise thus: Because of the similar Triangles ABD and CDA, it will be, as BD : AD :: AD : DC, that is, as  $\frac{1}{2}$  a Mile, is to 44.6 Miles; so is 44.6 Miles to 3979 Miles, the Length of the Earth's Semediameter; whence the Circumference is found 25020 Miles, as before.

III. *By a Third Method the same Things are found thus :*

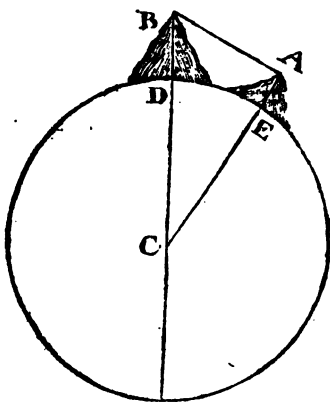
Suppose that only the Altitude of *Teneriff* BD were Given, 4 Miles; and the Angle ABC to be taken  $87^{\circ}25'$  then

the Angle at C, is  $2^{\circ} 35'$ ; of this Angle CB is the Secant, and the Part thereof CD is Radius; hence by a Table of Sines, Tangents, and Secants we shall have this Analogy, as the Excess of the Secant of  $2^{\circ} 35'$  above Radius (*viz.*  $1001017 - 1000000 = 1017$ , in Parts of the Radius : is to Radius 1000000 :: 1017 is BD = 4 Miles, : to DC in Miles, *viz.* 3979, as before

Or thus, as the Excess of Radius above the Sine of the Angle at B : is to the said Sine :: 1017 is BD in Miles : to AC or DC in Miles; when the Height BD is not very great. \*

IV. A Fourth Method yet more accurate and easy than the foregoing, is thus :

In the adjacent Figure, let B and A be the Tops of two very high Mountains, Towers, &c. and let the Distance between them DE be accurately measured; next with a good Instrument let the Angle CBA, and the Angle CAB be precisely taken on the Top of each Hill; then will the other third Angle at the Center C be known, suppose  $1^{\circ} 25'$ ; and suppose the Measure of that Angle DE, or the Distance of the two Mountains, were found 98 *English* Miles; They make this Proportion, saying;



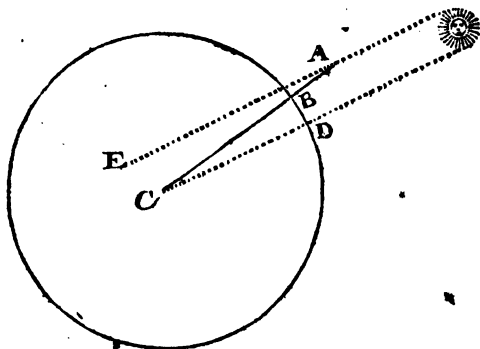
If the Arch DE =  $1^{\circ} 25'$  contain 98 Miles, what will the whole Periphery contain, being 360 Degrees? Answer, near 25020 Miles.

V. Erat-

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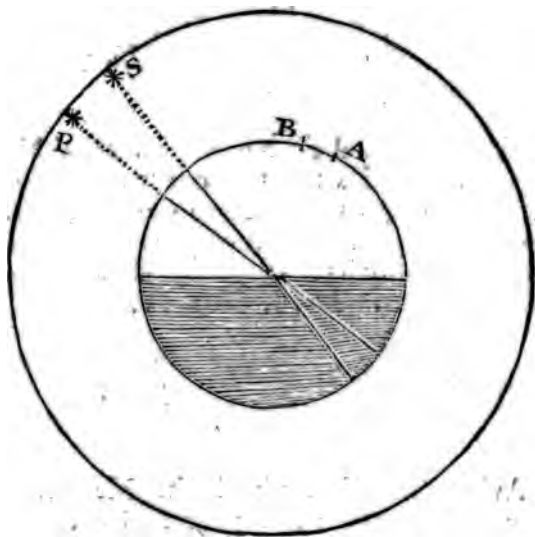
V. Eratosthenes (who lived about 200 Years before Christ) is reported to have used the following Method for this Purpose:



Suppose D be a Place on the Earth on which the Sun's Rays fall perpendicularly and proceeds to the Center C; and B another Place on which at the same Time the Rays fall obliquely; and let the Distance BD be known by Mensuration; when the Observation is made, erect a *Style* or *Staff* AB, on the Spot B, and measure the Angle BAE which is the Complement of the Sun's Altitude at B, which suppose is found  $8^{\circ} 45'$ ; but because all Rays proceeding from the Sun to the Earth, may be esteemed Parallel (they being of so immense a Length, and the Earth so small a Point in Comparison therewith) therefore the Angle ACD shall be equal to the Angle CAE, by *Theorem* III. But the Arch BD is the Measure thereof, and is known, as being the Distance of the two Places B and D, suppose  $610\frac{1}{2}$  Miles; then say, as  $BCD = 8^{\circ} 45'$  : is to the Distance or Arch BD  $610.5$  Miles, :: 1 is the whole Periphery  $360^{\circ}$  Degrees :  $25020$  Miles nearly. But *Eratosthenes* made the Circumference of the Earth  $250000$  Furlongs, *i. e.* upwards

ards of 30000 Miles, above 5000 too many; which I suppose was owing to the Inexpediency of performing the Experiment with the two Cities of *Cyrene* and *Alexandria* in *Egypt*; their Difference of Latitude being too inconsiderable, for such a Purpose. For the Method it self is very exact and conclusive.

VI. *A Sixth and last Method I shall mention for finding the Earth's Diameter, Circumference, &c. shall be that which our modern Mathematicians have used as the best and most perfect, and demonstrative of all others.*



In the foregoing Figure; suppose a Person on the Earth's Superficies at A beholds the North Star at P, in a known Elevation; and that then he proceeds directly North from the Point A to B, where, by most exquisite Instruments, he finds the North Pole Star

Star elevated from P to S, just one Degree; consequently if the Distance AB be exactly measured it will give the Number of Miles precisely, in one Degree; and thence the Circumference is most truly known.

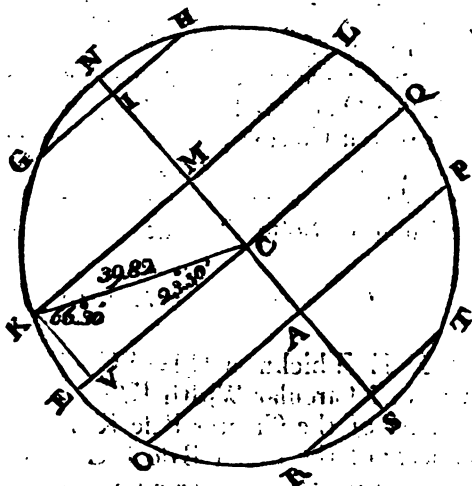
By this Method our Countryman *Norwood* found one Degree to contain  $69\frac{1}{2}$  of our *English*; and the two famous *French* Mathematicians, *Picard* first, and *Cassini* afterwards, with the best Advantages of Instruments, Climate, and Place, and by order of their most Christian King, applied the same Method, and found the Measure of one Degree, the same very nearly, as our *Norwood* had done before; he making the Diameter of the Earth 7964 Miles, and they made it to be  $7957\frac{1}{2}$  Miles.

These are the most famous Mathematical Methods of measuring the Earth, the four first of which are called Terrestrial, the other two Celestial, and they who would see a great deal on this Subject, as concerning its Antiquity, Progress, Deficiencies, &c. may see *Varanius. Lib. I. Chap. IV.*

### *The Mensuration of the Zones of the Earth.*

**H**AVING thus determined the Measure of the whole Earth, I shall proceed by Trigonometry to take the Dimensions of those remarkable Portions of the Earth, called the *Zones*; viz. The Torrid Zone KLPO (in the following Figure); the two Temperate Zones KGHL, and OPTR; and the two Frigid Zones GIHN, and RTS. In order to this, there needs only the Solution

tion of the *Right-angled Triangle* CVK, in which there is Given the Side CK = Semidiameter of the Earth, viz. 3982 Miles, according to Mr. Norwood;



and the Angle KCV =  $23^{\circ} 30'$  the greatest Declination of the Sun from the Equator EQ, whose Complement is  $66^{\circ} 30'$ . Hence by *Case III.* of *Right Triangles*, the Side VC = KM, will be found to be 3651  $\frac{1}{2}$  Miles, and the Side KV = GI = CM will be 1587  $\frac{1}{2}$  Miles.

From hence are inferred the Measures of each Zone as to the Diameter and Circumference thereof (to which, for the Sake of other Purposes, I have added the Square or Superficial, and the Cube or Solid Measures) as follows.

*Of the Torrid Zone.*

|                                        | <i>Mils.</i> |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>T</b> HE Thickness $AM=2KV$ ———     | 31755        |
| The Circular Width $KO$ , or $LP$ , —  | 326          |
| The greatest Diameter $EQ$ ———         | 7964         |
| The lesser Diameter $KL$ or $OP$ , ——— | 7303         |
| The greatest Circumference ———         | 25020        |
| Square Miles on its Convex Surface —   | 79452689     |
| Its whole Superficies ———              | 163235401    |
| The Cubic or Solid Content ———         | 149801827539 |

*Of each Temperate Zone.*

|                                           |             |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>T</b> HE Thickness $IM=VC-CM$ —        | 2064        |
| The Circular Width $KG$ ———               | 2988        |
| Diameter of the Greater Base $KL$ —       | 7303        |
| Diameter of the Lesser Base $HG$ ———      | 3172        |
| The Area of the Greater Base ———          | 41891336    |
| The Area of the Lesser Base ———           | 7920315     |
| The Circumference of the Greater Base ——— | 22943       |
| The Square Miles on its Convex Surface —  | 31636120    |
| The whole Superficies ———                 | 101447792   |
| The Cubic or Solid Content. ———           | 56005572760 |

*Of each Frigid Zone.*

|                                   |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| <b>T</b> HE Depth $NI$ ———        | 330        |
| The Diameter $GH$ ———             | 3175       |
| The whole Width $GNH$ ———         | 3266       |
| The Circumference of the Base ——— | 9976       |
| The Convex Superficies ———        | 8262637    |
| The whole Superficies ———         | 16182952   |
| The Solidity, or Cubic Content —  | 1326908051 |

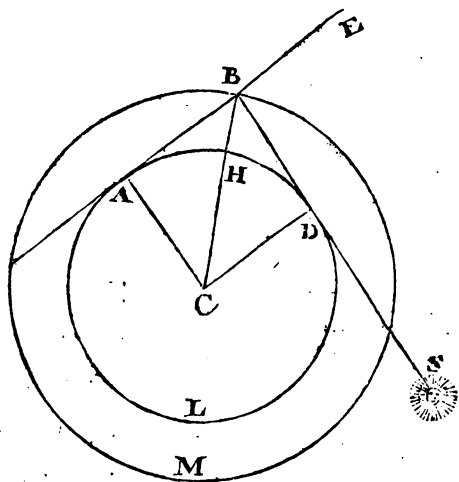
Also,

Also,  
**T**HE Diameter of the whole Earth being 7964  
 And its Circumference ——— 25020  
 The whole Superficies thereof will be 199250205  
 And its solid Content ——— 264466789170

These are the Measures of the Terraqueous Globe, and its several Parts, as found by the Rules of Trigonometry; whereby we shall next proceed to find the Height of the Circumambient Atmosphere.

*To measure the Atmosphere.*

In order to do this, in the following Figure, let ADL represent the Earth's Surface; and BM the Circumference of the highest Region of the Atmosphere, and let BH be the perpendicular Height thereof, which is to be measured.



Now for this Purpose let S be the Sun depressed  
 18° below the Horizon, in which Case, the Morning  
 A a 2 and



and Evening Twilight begins and ends; and let SB be a Ray of Light touching the Earth at D, and passing to the upper Region of the Atmosphere, is there reflected by a Particle of Air at B, in the Line AB, which also toucheth the Earth at A.

Now ABE being supposed the Horizontal Line on the Earth's Superficies, and the Sun being  $18^\circ$  below the Horizon, 'tis plain the Angle SBE is equal to the Sun's Depreffion, or  $18^\circ$ ; and because AB is also a Tangent, the Angle ACD is equal to the Angle SBE, the half of which is the Angle ACB, which therefore would be equal to  $9^\circ$ , were it not that the Ray SB is bent by Refraction from BA towards BH about the Quantity of  $30'$ , or half a Degree; and so much must the Angle ACB be diminished, and so its true Measure will be  $8^\circ 30'$ .

Hence in the *Right-angled Triangle* ACB, there is given the Angles; and the Side AC, being the Semidiameter of the Earth; to find the Side CB: This by *Case I. of Right Triangles*, is found thus:

As the Sine of the Angle ——— }  $ABC = 81^\circ 30' = 0.0047967$

Is to the Semidiameter }  $AC = 3982 = 3.6001013$   
of the Earth ——— }

So is Radius ——— }  $90^\circ = 10.0000000$

To the Side ——— }  $BC = 4026 = 3.6048980$

From which substra& — }  $CH = 3982$

There remains the Height of }  $= 44$  English Milca.  
the Atmosphere ——— }

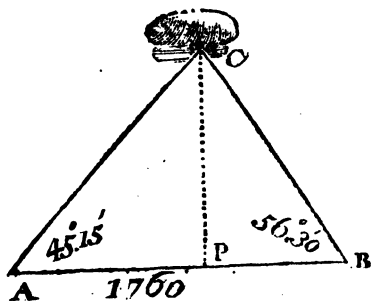
In the same Figure, and by the same Triangle ACB, we may determine another very curious Problem, *viz.* the Proportion of the Sun's Light and Heat when he is in the Spectator's Zenith, and when  
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in his Horizon, or when his Rays fall perpendicular as BH, and when in an Horizontal Direction as AB. For the Light and Heat at H will be to that at A in the Reciprocal Proportion of AB to BH. But the Line BH is 44, and by the same Means the Line AB is found 595. Hence  $AB : BH :: 595 : 44 ::$  Sun's Light and Heat at H : its Light and Heat at A; that is near as 14 to 1. Hence we see the Reason (says Dr. Keil) why without hurting our Eyes we can look upon the Sun at Rising or Setting, but not when he is on the Meridian. And therefore since it is so much weakened in passing through so small a Space as our Atmosphere, if this Atmosphere were so large as to reach to the Moon, and its Density the same, neither the Sun, Moon, or Stars could then be seen.

### *To measure the Height of the Clouds.*

- I. *THE common Method for this is to take the Angle the Cloud makes at two different Places, and by two several Persons at one and the same Moment of Time.*

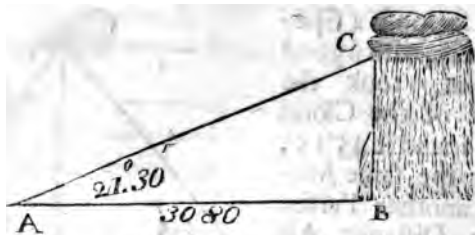
For suppose a Spectator at A, with a good Quadrant, took the Height of the Cloud C, and found it  $45^{\circ}15'$ , and at the same Moment, another Person at the Distance AB took the Height of the same Cloud, and found it  $56^{\circ}30'$ , and let the Distance of their Places of Observation AB be one Mile, or 1760 Yards; then



then in the *Oblique-angled Triangle* ABC, there are known all the Angles, and the Side AB, to find either of the other Sides, suppose AC; this by *Case I. of Oblique Triangles*, will be found by the Sliding Rule about 1640; then in the *Right-angled Triangle* APC there is Given the Angle at Base A =  $45^{\circ} 15'$ , and the Hypothenufe AC = 1640 Yards nearly, to find the Cathetus CP; this by *Case III. of Right Triangles*, will be found by Sliding Rule to be about 1450 Yards, or a little above three Quarters of a Mile, and so high was the Cloud.

*Another Way by one Person.*

II. Suppose (as I have often observed it my self) that C be a dark dense Thunder Cloud, and begins on a suddain (with the Thunder Stroke) to rain very hard; and that a Person at A observes the streaming Rain to fall at the known Distance B; and at the same Time takes the Altitude of the Cloud, and finds it  $21^{\circ} 30'$ , and let the Distance AB be a Mile and three Quarters, or 3080 Yards.

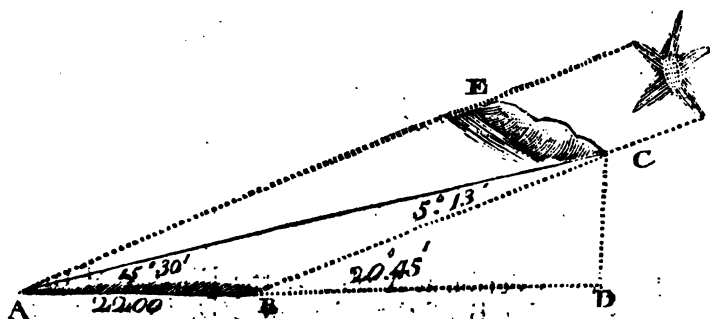


Then in the Triangle ABC, Right-angled at B (for the Rain, in still Weather, falls nearly Perpendicular) there is Given the Distance AB, and the Angle at Base A; to find the Cathetus CB; which  
by

by *Case I.* of *Right Triangles*, will be found nearly 1490 Yards, or about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a Mile, which is the Height of the Cloud.

III. *A third Method for Measuring the Height of Clouds, and that by one single Person, may be this:*

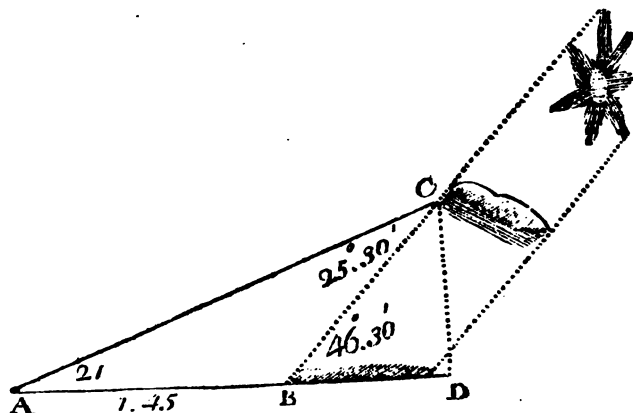
Suppose, as it may sometimes happen, that the Shadow AB of the Cloud C were to touch the Feet of a Spectator at A, at its Extremity; and at the same Time the Person at A could observe nicely the Width of the Shadow AB, or how far it extended from A to B; and that therewith he took the Altitude of the lower Part of the Cloud C.



Now in the Triangle ABC, obtuse angled at B, there is given the Angles A, B, C; for A is known by Observation, suppose  $15^{\circ} 30'$ ; and Angle ABC is the Complement of the Sun's Altitude to  $90^{\circ}$ ; let then the Sun's Altitude be  $20^{\circ} 45'$ ; so shall the Angle ABC be  $159^{\circ} 15'$ ; and the Angle ACB =  $5^{\circ} 13'$ ; also the Side AB the Width or Diameter of the Shadow is Given, suppose  $1\frac{1}{2}$  Miles, or 2200 Yards. Then by *Case I.* of *Oblique Triangles*, the Side BC will be found about 6400; and then in the *Right Triangle* BDC, there are known the Angles and the Side

Side BC; whence, by *Case III. of Right Triangles*, the Cathetus CD will be found about 2258 Yards, that is, the Height of the Cloud C is somewhat more than a Mile and a Quarter.

IV. *A fourth and last Method I shall mention, is like to the former, but more exact and easy, and is performed likewise by one Person alone, which is thus:*



Suppose a Person at A observe the Distance of the nearest Border B of the Shadow BD, to be 1.45 Mile, at the same Time let him take the Altitude of the highest Part of the Cloud at C, which suppose  $21^\circ$ . And also the Altitude of the Sun, which let be  $46^\circ 30'$ . Then in the *Oblique Triangle ABC*, there are Given all the Angles and the Side AB, whence by *Case I. of Oblique Triangles* the Side BC will be found about 1.375; and then in the *Right Triangle CBD*, the Angles and Side BC being Given, there will be found by *Case III. of Right Triangles*, the perpendicular Height of the Cloud  $CD = 1.27$ , a little above  $1\frac{1}{4}$  Mile.

These

These are the principal Methods of taking the Altitudes of Clouds, I could have suggested more; but the three last of these, each of which may be performed by a single Person, are new to me, having never seen them published by any Writer, nor are they mentioned even by *Varenius* himself, the most exact, accute, and laborious Author that ever wrote of these Affairs.

### *To Measure the Rainbow.*

**I**N order to take the Dimensions of this most wonderful Phænomenon, the most grand and beautiful Piece of Nature's Gallantry, I shall premise a few Things relating to its Formation, from that great Father of modern Philosophy, Sir *Isaac Newton*.

I. First it must be observed, that the Bow is not really in the Cloud which rains, but in the Rain itself, or falling Drops of Water, and therefore must always be seen below its proper Cloud.

II. The Bow must appear diametrically opposite to the Sun; for a Ray must pass from the Sun at S, through the Eye of the Spectator at O, to the Center of the Rainbow P. See the following Figure.

III. The Colours of Light consist promiscuously in the Sun's Rays, and are to be exhibited distinct and singly by Reflection and Refraction; and those Rays are reflected and refracted most which are of the deepest blue Colour, and those least which are of the brightest Red.

IV. The interior Bow, as AEFB, is formed in round Drops of Rain by two Refractions of the Sun's Rays, and one Reflection between them, as in the Drops E, F.

V. The lower Part of this Bow consists of those Drops, in which the most refrangible Rays can after one Reflection be refracted to the Eye; the Angle of this Refraction is POE ( $=\text{OES}$ ) 40 Degrees and 2 Minutes; hence all the Drops in the Line OE shall strike the Eye with the most refrangible Ray of the deepest Violet Colour in that Region which it describes.

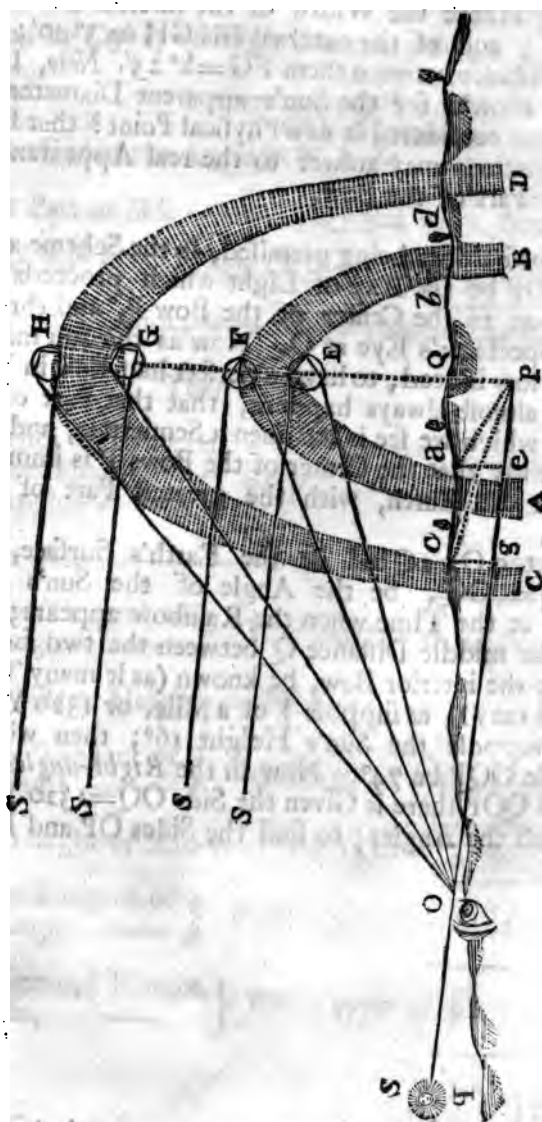
VI. The highest Part of this interior Bow contain those Drops in which the least refrangible Rays can after one Reflection be refracted to the Eye; the greatest Angle of this Refraction is POF ( $=\text{OFS}$ )  $=42$  Degrees, 17 Minutes. Hence all the Drops in the Line OF shall tinge the upper Part of the Bow, which it describes, with the deepest red Colour.

VII. The exterior Bow CGHD is made in Drops of Rain, by two Refractions, and also by two Reflections, as in the Drops G, H.

VIII. The lower Part of this Bow consists of those Drops, in which the least refrangible Rays can after two Reflections, be refracted to the Eye; and the least Angle of this Refraction, is POG ( $=\text{SGO}$ )  $=50^{\circ} 42'$ .

IX. The highest Border of this Bow is made by Drops which refract the most refrangible Rays possible after two Reflections: and the least Angle thereof is POH ( $=\text{SHO}$ )  $=54^{\circ} 22'$ ; hence the Colours of this Bow will be in an inverse Order, to those of the other Bow.

X. Hence



Observation of the horizon is made at all times in  
 the world, and is the basis of all navigation.  
 The horizon is the line which divides the sky from the earth.



X. Hence the Width of the internal Iris  $EF$  is  $2^{\circ}15'$ ; and of the external Iris  $GH = 3^{\circ}40'$ ; and the Distance between them  $FG = 8^{\circ}25'$ . *Note*, I have here allow'd for the Sun's apparent Diameter  $30'$ , and not considered it as a Physical Point? that so the Calculations may answer to the real Appearance of every Part of the Bow.

These things being premised, in the Scheme above, let  $SOP$  be the Ray of Light which proceeds from the Sun to the Center of the Bow  $P$ , and through the Spectator's Eye at  $O$ . Now as the Sun must be very low indeed; to have a perfect half Bow in View, so it almost always happens, that that Part of the Bow which we see is less than a Semicircle, and consequently that the Center of the Bows  $P$  is immerfed under the Earth, with the greatest Part of each Bow.

Let  $qOcaQbd$  be the Earth's Surface, and  $SOq = POQ$ , be the Angle of the Sun's Altitude at the Time when the Rainbow appears; and let the middle Distance  $Q$  between the two Legs  $a$ ,  $b$ , of the interior Bow, be known (as it many Times easily may); as suppose  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a Mile, or 1320 Yards; and suppose the Sun's Height  $16^{\circ}$ ; then will the Angle  $OQP$  be  $74^{\circ}$ . Now in the *Right-angled Triangle*  $QOP$  there is Given the Side  $OQ = 1320$  Yards, and all the Angles; to find the Sides  $OP$  and  $PQ$ .

Then

Then by *Case I*, of *Right Triangles*; say,

As Radius ———  $90^\circ = 10$ .  
 Is to the Side ———  $OQ = 1320 = 3.1205739$   
 So is the Sine of the Angle  $POQ = 16^\circ = 9.4403381$   
 To the Part or Side ———  $PQ = 364 = 2.5609126$   
 So is the Sine of the Angle  $OQP = 74^\circ = 9.9828416$   
 To the Base or Side, ———  $OP = 1269 = 3.1033155$

Then say,

As Radius is to the Base —  $OP = 1269 = 3.1033155$   
 So is the Tangent of }  $POE = 40^\circ 2' = 9.9549455$   
 the Angle ——— }  
 To the Side ———  $PE = 1143 = 3.0582610$   
 So is the Tangent of }  $POF = 42^\circ 17' = 9.9587542$   
 the Angle ——— }  
 To the Side or Height —  $PF = 1153\frac{1}{2} = 3.0620697$   
 So is the Tangent of }  $POG = 50^\circ 42' = 10.0869863$   
 the Angle ——— }  
 To the Height or Side —  $PG = 1550 = 3.1903018$   
 So is the Tangent of }  $POH = 54^\circ 22' = 10.1445959$   
 the Angle ——— }  
 To the greatest Height, }  $PH = 1770 = 3.2479114$   
 or Side, ——— }

Then say again,

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{As Radius is to the Base} & OP = 1269 = & 3.1033155 \\
 \text{So is the Secant of the } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Angle} \text{ ---} \\ \text{To the Side or Hy-} \end{array} \right. & POE = 40^\circ 2' = & 10.1159582 \\
 \text{pothenuse ---} & OE = 1656 = & 3.2192737 \\
 \text{So is the Secant of the } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Angle} \text{ ---} \\ \text{To the Side} \text{ ---} \end{array} \right. & POG = 50^\circ 42' = & 10.1983351 \\
 & OG = 2003 = & 3.3016506
 \end{array}$$

In the next Place, say;

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{As Radius, to the Side } Pa = PE = & 1143 = & 3.0582610 \\
 \text{So is the Sine of } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the Angle} \text{ ---} \\ \text{To the Side} \text{ ---} \end{array} \right. & a PQ = Pa c = 71^\circ 27' = & 9.9768296 \\
 & a Q = 1084 = & 3.0350906
 \end{array}$$

Lastly say,

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{As Radius to the } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Side} \text{ ---} \\ \text{So is the Sine of} \end{array} \right. & Pc = PG = 1550 = & 3.1903081 \\
 \text{the Angle } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the Angle} \text{ ---} \\ \text{To the Side} \text{ ---} \end{array} \right. & c PQ = Pc g = 76^\circ 26' = & 9.9877099 \\
 & c Q = 1507 = & 3.1780117
 \end{array}$$

Now to find the Circumferences of the middle Parts of each Bow, proceed thus;

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{Multiply} & 2 PE + EF = 1296.5 \\
 \text{By} & 3.1416 \\
 \text{The Product is} & 7214.6844
 \end{array}$$

Again,

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Multiply} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} 2PG+GH = 3320 \\
 \text{By} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} 31416 \\
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 \text{The Product is} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} 10430.112 \\
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 \end{array}$$

From this general Calculation of the Rainbow a-  
foregoing, we find the Measures of its several Parts,  
and their Distances from the Spectator's Eye to be as  
follows:

1<sup>st</sup>. The least Semidiameter PF, of the interior  
Bow, is 1143 Yards, or about 0.64 of a Mile; whence  
the Diameter is 2.28 Mile.

2<sup>d</sup>. The greater Semidiameter PF=1153½ Yards  
=0.65 of a Mile, whence the greatest Diameter is 1.3  
Mile.

3<sup>d</sup>. The Breadth thereof EF is 10½ Yards, or 31½  
Feet.

4<sup>th</sup>. The Circumference of the Middle thereof is  
721468 Yards, or 4.09 Miles.

5<sup>th</sup>. The least Semidiameter of the exterior Iris,  
PG=1550 Yards, or 0.87 of a Mile; Whence the  
least Diameter is 1.74 Mile.

6<sup>th</sup>. The greatest Semidiameter thereof PH=1770  
Yards, or 1.5 Mile, whence the greatest Diameter is  
about 3 Mile.

7<sup>th</sup>.

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7<sup>th</sup>. The Breadth thereof GH is 220 Yards, or 660 Feet.

8<sup>th</sup>. The middle Circumference thereof is 10430 Yards, or about 5.92 Miles.

9<sup>th</sup>. The Distance between each Bow  $FG=396\frac{1}{2}$  Yards.

10<sup>th</sup>. The Height of the interior Bow above the Horizon is  $QE=779$  Yards, or 0.45 Mile.

11<sup>th</sup>. The Height of the exterior Bow  $QG=1186$  Yards, or 0.66 Mile.

12<sup>th</sup>. The Center of the Bows P is submersed by the Surface of the Earth the Length of  $PQ=364$  Yards.

13<sup>th</sup>. The Center P is distant from the Spectator's Eye, by  $PO=1269$  Yards, or  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a Mile.

14<sup>th</sup>. The Distance of the interior Bow  $OE=Oa=1656$  Yards, or  $\frac{2}{10}$  of a Mile.

15<sup>th</sup>. The Distance of the exterior Bow  $OG=Oc=2003$  Yards, or 1.13 Mile.

16<sup>th</sup>. The Distance of the Legs of the interior Bow on the Earth's Surface, is a  $b=2168$  Yards; or 1.2 Mile, or a little more.

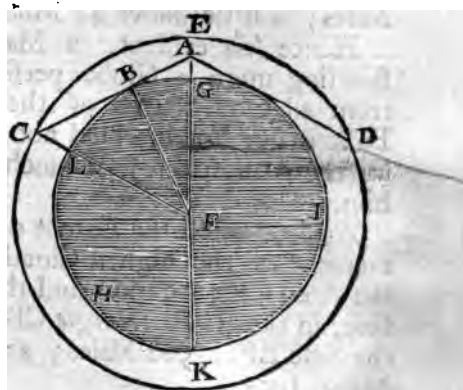
17<sup>th</sup>. The Distance of the Legs of the exterior Bow  $cd=3014$  Yards, or 1.7 Mile.

And

And such are the Dimensions of a Rainbow at the given Distance and Altitude of the Sun aforesaid; which as it is so great a Piece of Curiosity, must needs be acceptable to every Person of Ingenuity and Taste.

*To determine the farthest Bounds of Sight;  
or the visible Horizon.*

LET BHI represent the Globe of the Earth; CEDK, the Circumference of the Cloudy Heavens. Also let AG be the Height of a Man of 6 Feet in Stature; then 'tis evident (AC being drawn a Tangent to the Surface of the Earth in B)



that the Point B is the farthest Bound of Vision on the Earth's Superficies; and C in the cloudy Expanse; suppose the Height thereof CL, or EG, to be 1. Mile.

Now because the Semidiameter of the Earth BF, is found to be 3982 Statute Miles, and in every such Mile there is 1760 Yards; therefore  $3982 \times 1760 = 7008320$ , the Yards in a Semidiameter of the Earth.

Hence there being known, in the *Right Triangle* ABF, the Side BF = 7008320 Yards, and the Side AF = 7008322 Yards; we can easily find the Angle AFB, by *Case V*, thus;

C e

A s

As the Side —  $AF = 7008322 = \underline{\underline{3.8456143}}$

Is to the Radius —  $10.0000000$

So is the Side —  $BF = 7008320 = \underline{\underline{3.8456140}}$

To the Sine of the Angle  $BAF = 89^\circ 56' = \underline{\underline{9.9999997}}$

Whence the Complement thereof  $BFA$ , or the Arch  $BG$ , will be 4 Minutes; which is thus converted into Miles; as  $60^\circ : 69\frac{1}{2}$  Miles  $:: 4' : 4.63$  Miles; a little above  $4\frac{1}{2}$  Miles.

Hence 'tis evident, a Man of 6 Feet Stature, standing upon a Globe perfectly round, and free from all Obstructions of the Sight, of the same Bulk as our Earth, could not by his Sight (unassisted by the Atmosphere) see much above  $4\frac{1}{2}$  Miles about him.

Again, to find the Extent of the Sight in the Firmament of the highest Clouds, viz.  $AC$ , or rather the Arch  $CE$ ; we must find the Angle  $BFC$ ; therefore, in the *Right Triangle*  $CBF$ , there being known the Side  $BF = 3982$  Miles; and the Side  $CF = 3983$  Miles, say;

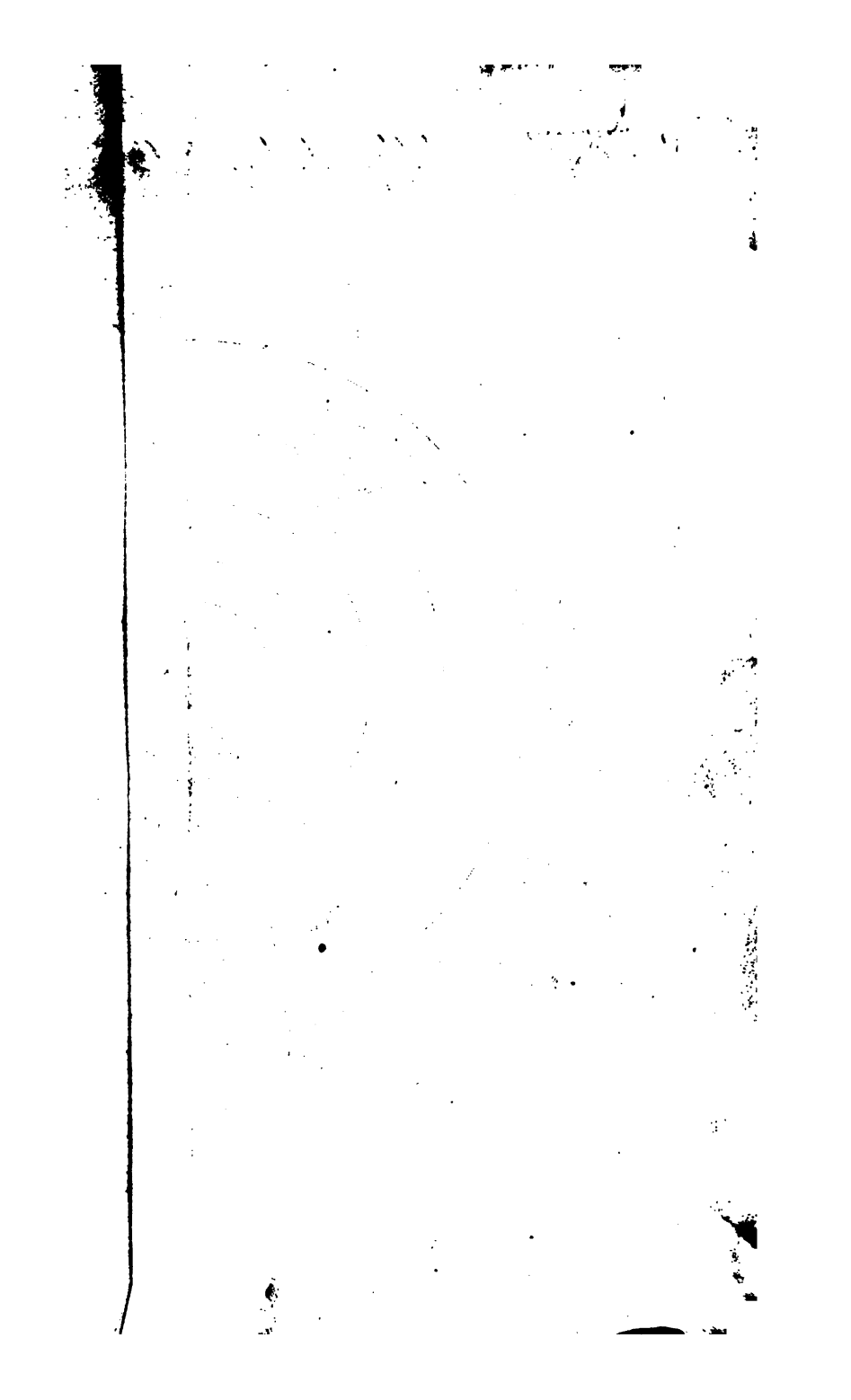
As the Side —  $CF = 3983 = \underline{\underline{3.6002103}}$

Is to Radius —  $10.0000000$

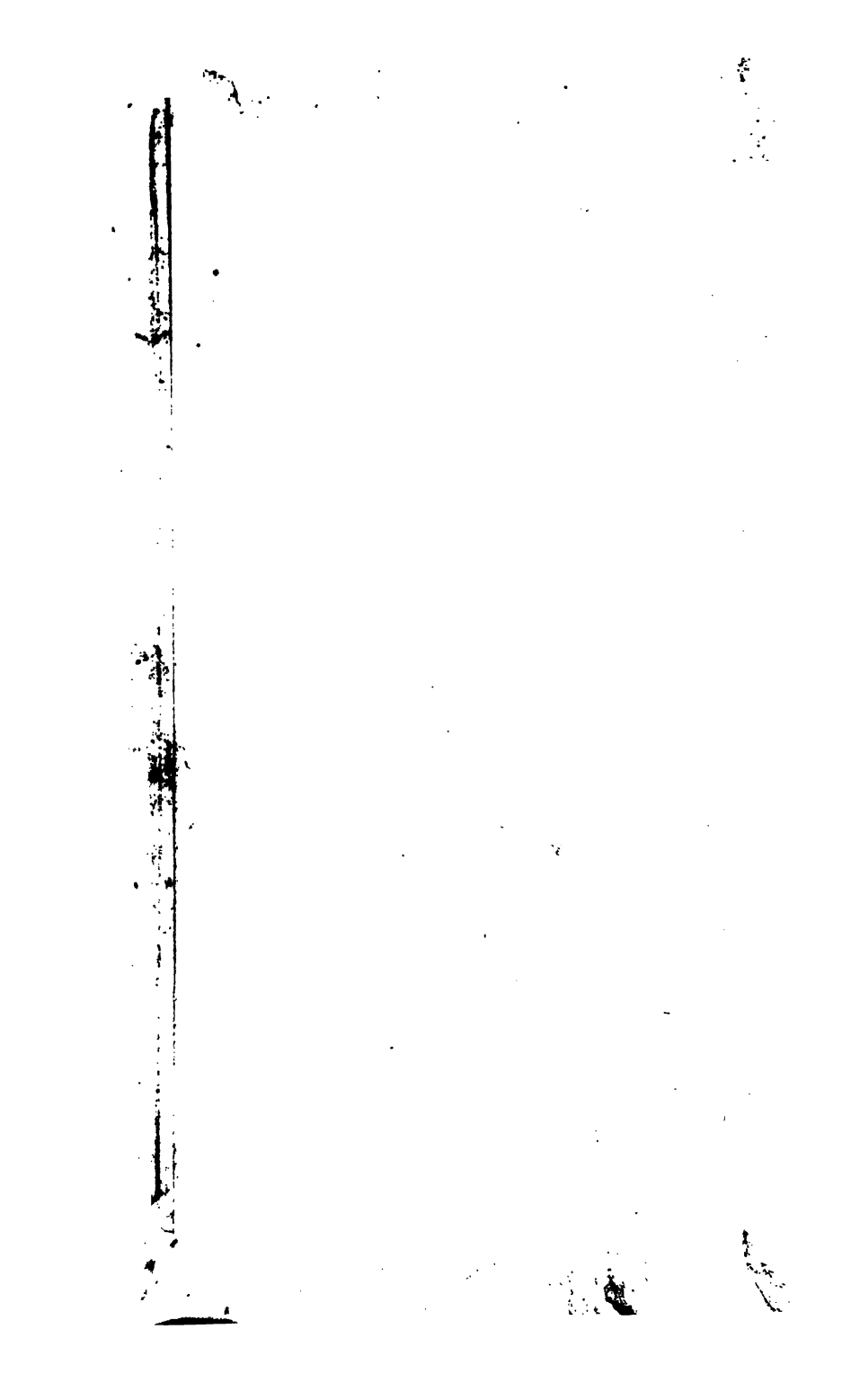
So is the Side —  $BF = 3982 = \underline{\underline{3.6001013}}$

To the Sine of the Angle  $BCF = 88^\circ 43' = \underline{\underline{9.9998910}}$

Hence the Complement thereof  $BFC$  is  $1^\circ 17'$ , to which if we add the Angle  $BFA = 4'$ , we shall have the Angle  $AFC = 1^\circ 21'$ ; whose Measure on the Earth, is the Arch  $LG$ , and in the Clouds,  $CE$ . The  
Quantity







Quantity of the Arch  $LG=81'$  is thus found; as  $60' : 69\frac{1}{2} \text{ Miles} :: 81' : 93.82 \text{ Miles}$ . But as  $FG=3982 : FE=3983 :: LG=93.82 : CE=93.84 \text{ Miles}$ , the Extent every Way of the visible Horizon terminated by the Clouds.

Whence it follows, that the greatest Extent of the visible cloudy Expansion is the Arch  $CD=2CE=187.68 \text{ Miles}$ ; and the Circumference of the sensible or visible Horizon terminated in the Clouds, is very nearly three Times  $187.68=563 \text{ Miles}$ . However a Method for calculating it to the greatest Nicety is hereby made plain and evident, and shall (with other Things of this Nature) be left to the Learner's Exercise.



### CH A P. III.

*Plain Trigonometry applied to Astronomy;  
in the Mensuration of the Distances,  
Magnitudes, Places, and other Affec-  
tions of the Heavenly Bodies, which  
compose our Solar System.*

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*A*stronomy, the darling Science of all the Sons of Art; the most noble and splendid Branch of the Encyclopædia, or whole Compass of Literature; the very Zodiack of the Celestial Sphere of Knowledge; I say this excellent Art depends altogether

on Trigonometry, plain and spherical; the common Astronomical Problems, so necessary to Sailors and Almanack-Makers, are performed by spherical Triangles, of which I may treat enough of in that Part of this Work; but the Fundamentals of the Art, the grand Problems of the Planetary Distances, of the Penumbra and Shadow of the Earth and Moon, of Eclipses, of the Anomalies of the Planetary Motions, and the Explications of the Theories of both Planets and Comets, all depend upon and result from the Calculations made, for the greatest Part, by the Rules of Plain Trigonometry, as appears evident by what here follows concerning those Matters.

But I think it necessary to give the young Tyro a View of the Solar System, and an Account of its several Constituent Parts, before we proceed to measure them; which therefore is as follows.

### *I. A Description of the Solar System.*

I. **I**N the Scheme of this System of the World, the Sun occupies the middle Point or Center; and has no other Motion, but round its own Axis once in about 25 Days; this Motion is discoverable by the Macula or dark Spots on his Disk.

II. Next to the Sun is the Orb of *Mercury*, in which this Planet moves about the Sun once in 87 Days, and 23 Hours.

III. The next Planet which revolves about the Sun is *Venus*, that bright Planet which we call the Morning and Evening Star; she performs one Revolution in about 224 Days and 17 Hours.

IV.

IV. The third Planet from the Sun, is our Earth with its single Satellite ; the Earth performing one Revolution round the Sun in 365 Days, 5 Hours, and about 50 Minutes; and the Moon round the Earth once in 27 Days, 7 Hours, and 43 Minutes.

V. *Mars* is the next Planet, which circulates about the Sun once in 686 Days, 23 Hours, and 27 Minutes; and round his own Axis once in 24 Hours, and 40 Minutes.

VI. The next superior Planet is *Jupiter*, with his 4 Satellites ; he revolves about the Sun once in 11 Years, 317 Days, 12 Hours, and 20 Minutes ; and about its own Axis, once in 9 Hours, and 56 Minutes. The Periodical Revolutions of his Satellites or Moons about his Body are as follows ; of the 1st, in 1 Day, 18 Hours, 27 Minutes. Of the 2d, in 3 Days, 13 Hours, 13 Minutes. Of the 3d, in 7 Days, 3 Hours, 42 Minutes. Of the 4th, in 16 Days, 16 Hours, 32 Minutes.

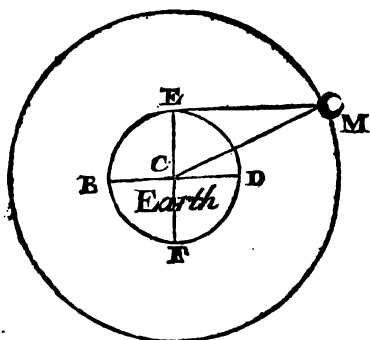
VII. The highest, and vastly the farthest Distant, of all the Planets, is *Saturn*, who wanders in perpetual Solitude through the Desert Extremities of the Mundane Space, attended by his 5 Satellites or Moons, and finishes his slow Revolution about the Sun, once in 29 Years, 174 Days, 6 Hours, and 36 Minutes ; and about his own Body revolve his 5 Moons the following Periods of Time ; The first in 1 Day, 21 Hours, 18 Minutes ; The second in 2 Days, 17 Hours, 41 Minutes ; The third in 4 Days, 12 Hours, 25 Minutes ; The fourth in 15 Days, 22 Hours, 41 Minutes ; The fifth in 79 Days, 7 Hours, 48 Minutes.

VIII.

VIII. Beyond the vast Districks of the Planetary System, are placed at an amazingly immense Distance, the fixed Stars; and by that Means are they without the Reach of the largest and most accurate Mathematical Instruments, and the Cognizance of the most sagacious and penetrating Astronomers and Philosophers.

## II. *To measure the Distance of the Moon from the Earth.*

**H**AVING thus Given a Cursory View of the most antient as well as modern and true System of the lower World, I now proceed to the Dimensions of the several Parts thereof; and first of the Distance of the Moon from our Earth, as follows.



In the Figure adjoined let *BEDF* represent the Earth, and *M* the Moon in its Orb, seen in the Horizon; then the Angle *EMC* will be the apparent Semidiameter of the Earth *EC* seen at the Moon *M*; which Angle is

called the Parallax; and when the Moon is seen in the Horizon, 'tis the Horizontal Parallax of the Moon, and is nothing but the Difference of her true and apparent Distance from the Zenith. This Angle is greatest when the Moon is in her Perigœum, and her Orb most excentric; being then according to Mr. *Whiston's* Tables,  $1^{\circ} 2' 10''$ . And this I shall chuse for Calculation; because in such a Case the  
Moon

Moon is the least Distant from the Earth it can possibly be.

Therefore in the *Right-angled Triangle CFM*, there is given all the Angles, and the Side *EC*, being the Semidiameter of the Earth, or 3982 Miles, to find the Side *CM*; by *Case I*, of *Right Triangles*, say thus;

As the Sine of the  
Moon's Horizontal  
Parallax. }  $M = 1^{\circ} 2' 10'' = 8.2574189$

Is to one Semidiameter  
of the Earth ——— }  $EC = 1 = 0.0000000$

So is the Co-Sine of the  
Parallax ——— }  $C = 88^{\circ} 57' 50'' = 9.9999290$

To the Side (in Semidi-  
ameters of the Earth) }  $EM = 55.27 = 1.7425101$

So likewise is Radius ———  $50^{\circ} = 10.0000000$

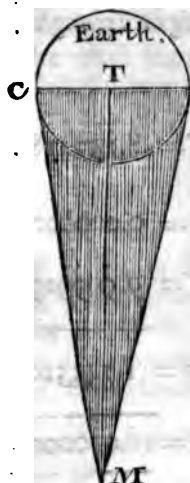
To the Side (in Semidi-  
ameters of the Earth) }  $CM = 55.29 = 1.7425811$

Hence then  $55.27 \times 3982 = 220085.1$  *English Miles*, the Distance of the Moon from the Spectator.

Also  $55.29 \times 3982 = 220344.78$  Miles, the Distance of the Moon from the Center of the Earth.

'Tis seldom the Moon come so very near the Earth, her Distance is variously determined by various Authors from 52 to 64 Semidiameters of the Earth, including the least and greatest Distance.

### III. To measure the Height of the Earth's Shadow.



**I**N the adjoined Figure let CT be the Earth's Semidiameter, TM the Height of the Earth's conical Shadow, and the Angle TMC, being half the Angle of the Cone, is equal to the apparent Semidiameter of the Sun, which in its mean Distance, is about 16 Minutes; therefore in the *Right-angled Triangle* CTM, there are given all the Angles and the Side CT, to find the Cathetus TM, which is the Height of the Shadow; Wherefore by *Case I*, of *Right Triangles*, say;

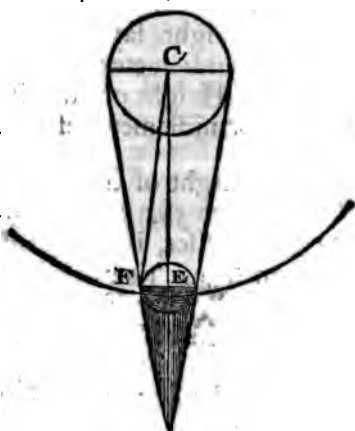
As the Tangent of — TMC =  $16' = 7.6678492$   
 Is to one Semidiameter — CT = 1 = 0.0000000  
 So is Radius ————— 10.0000000

To the Height ——— TM = 214.8 = 2.3321508

Therefore TM is 214.8 Semidiameters of the Earth, which multiplied by 3982, gives 855333.6 *English Miles* for the Height of the Earth's Shadow. But when the Sun is at the greatest Distance, the Angle TMC is but about  $15' 50''$ , and then the Height of the Shadow will become 217 Semidiameters of the Earth.

# VI. To Measure the Diameter of the Moon, and Height of her Shadow.

**I**N the Scheme ad-joined, let C be the Center of the Earth, and E the Center of the Moon; then is ECF = the apparent Semidiameter of the Moon seen from the Earth, which is (for the before-mentioned Horizontal Parallax)  $16' 52''$ . The Line CE is the Distance of the Moon from the Earth as before found, 55.29 Semidiameters; In the *Right Triangle* FEC there is given then the Angles, and the Side CE; to find the Side FE or Semidiameter of the Moon, say thus;



|                         |   |                                         |
|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------------------|
| As the Co-Sine of the   | } | EFC = $89^{\circ} 43' 08'' = 9.9999947$ |
| apparent Semidiam.      |   |                                         |
| To the Moon's Dis-      | } | CE = 55.29 = 1.7425101                  |
| tance from the          |   |                                         |
| Earth —————             |   |                                         |
| So is the Sine of the   | } | FCE = $16' 52'' = 7.6906627$            |
| apparent Semidiameter.  |   |                                         |
| To the Moon's Semidia-  | } | FE = .2711 = .94331781                  |
| meter, in Semidiameters |   |                                         |
| of the Earth —————      |   |                                         |

Now  $3982 \times .2711 = 1079.52$  *English* Miles, for the Moon's Semidiameter, wherefore the Moon's Diameter is 2159.04 Miles.

D d

And



And because Cones are similar Bodies, their Heights will be in Proportion to the Bases; But we have the Base and Height of the Earth's Cone of Shadow, and the Base of the Moon's, wherefore to find its Height, say;

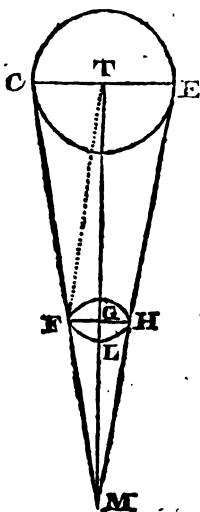
As the Semidiameter of the Earth —  $1 = 0.0000000$   
 Is to the Height of its Shadow  $214.8 = 2.3321588$   
 So is the Semidiameter of the Moon,  $2711 = .94331781$

To the Height of its Shadow —  $58.25 = 1.7653369$

Therefore  $58.25$  Semidiameters of the Earth, or  $231951.5$  Miles, is the Height of the Moon's Shadow.

From hence 'tis evident the Moon must be, at the Time of a Solar Eclipse, within  $58$  Semidiameters of the Earth distant from the Earth's Superficies.

V. To Measure the Diameter of the Earth's Shadow at the Distance of the Moon.



**I**N the adjoined Figure, let T be the Center of the Earth; CMT half the Angle of the Cone,  $16'$ ; FLH the Section of the Shadow at the Distance of the Moon TG, whose Diameter FH is sought; In order to find which, we have given, in the *Right-angled Triangle GMF*, the Side  $GM = (TM - TG, \text{ or } 214.8 - 55.29 =) 159.51$  Semidiameters of the Earth, and all the Angles; therefore say;

As

As Radius —————  $90^\circ = 10.0000000$   
 Is to the Side —————  $GM = 159.51 = 2.2027610$   
 So is the Tangent of  $GMF = 16' = 7.6678492$   
 To the Side —————  $FG = 7.423 = .98706102$

Whence  $2 FG = FH = 1.4846$ . But  $1.4846 \times 3982 = 5911.677$  Miles; and so wide is the Earth's Shadow at the Moon, when she is nearest the Earth; That is, above twice the Moon's Diameter; in which Case Lunar Eclipses, are of the greatest Duration possible.

VI. To find the apparent Semidiameter of the Earth's Shadow <sup>seen from the Earth</sup> at the Moon.

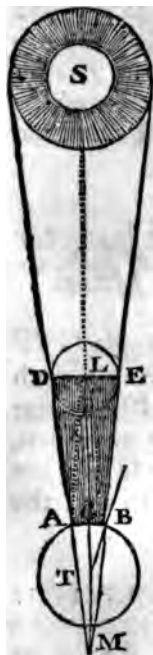
THIS is no more than to find the Angle  $GTF$  in the last Figure, for under that Angle doth the Semidiameter of the Earth's Shadow  $FG$  appear at the Distance of the Moon; in order to which, there is given in the *Right-angled Triangle*  $GTF$ , the two Sides  $GF = 7.423$ , and  $GT = 55.29$  to find the Angle at  $T$ , therefore say thus;

As the Side —————  $GT = 55.29 = 1.7425811$   
 Is to Radius —————  $90^\circ = 10.0000000$   
 So is the Side —————  $FG = 7.423 = .98706102$

To the Sine of the Angle  $GTF = 46' 10'' = 8.1280291$

And such is the apparent Semidiameter of the Earth's Shadow in that Case.

VII. To measure the total Shadow of the Moon at the Earth, in the Time of a Solar Eclipse.



**F**IRST for the Measure of the Moon's total, or dark Shadow at the Earth in the Time of an Eclipse of the Sun; In this Figure let S be the Sun, L the Moon, and T the Earth; Now in order to find the Width AB of the Moon's Shadow on the Earth, we have Given, in *Oblique Triangles* TMB, the Side TB=1 Semidiameter of the Earth, and TM=3 Semidiameters (for LM=58.25, and LT=55.29 as found, but TM=LM-LT=3, very nearly). Also the Angle TMB=16', the Sun's Semidiameter; to find the Angle TBM. This is done by *Case II*, of *Oblique Triangles*, thus,

As the Side ————— TB=1=0.0000000  
Is to the Sine of ————— TMB=16'=7.6678445  
So is the Side ————— TM=3 =0.4771212

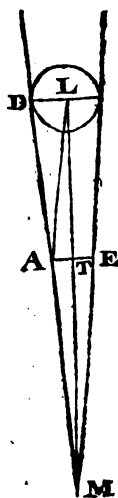
To the Sine of the Angle TBM=49'7"=8.1549657

But

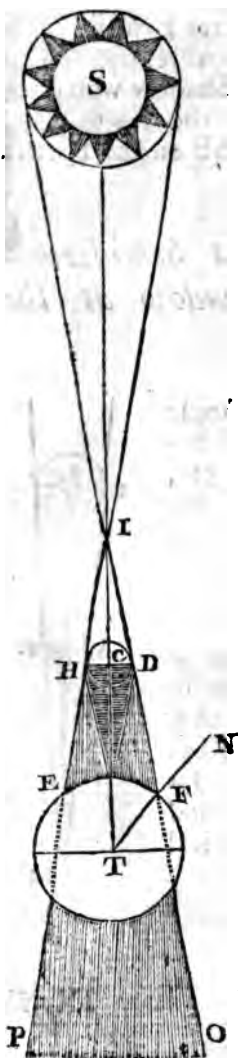
But the Angle  $CTB = TMB + TBM = 65' 7''$ , (by *Theorem V.*) and such is the Arch  $CB$ , the Double of which is  $AB = 2^{\circ} 10' 14''$ , or 150 $\frac{1}{2}$  Miles. *Note*, this Calculation answers to a Central Eclipse, at a middle Distance of the Sun; but were the Sun at the Greatest from the Moon, her Shadow would be larger, viz. near 60 Diameters of the Earth, and then the Breadth of the Shadow  $AB$  on the Earth's Surface would be about 180 Miles.

### VIII. To find the apparent Semidiameter of the Moon's Shadow at the Earth.

**I**N the adjoining Figure, the Angle  $AMT = 16'$  the Sun's apparent Semidiameter, the Angle  $DAL = 16' 52''$ , the apparent Semidiameter  $DL$  of the Moon seen from the Earth  $T$ . But this Angle  $DAL = AMT + ALT$ ; consequently  $DAL - AMT = ALT$  the Angle under which the Semidiameter of the Moon's Shadow at the Earth is seen at the Moon, which therefore is equal to  $52''$ ; and thus the whole Diameter  $AE$  of the Shadow, is  $1' 44''$ . *Note*, the Semidiameters of the Sun and Moon, for any Distance in their Orbs, are found ready calculated in the Astronomical Tables.



# IX. To measure the Penumbra or partial Shadow of the Moon.



**T**HE Nature and Production of the *Penumbra*, or that large diverging partial Shadow, in form of a Cone, involving the Moon and its dark Shadow, the Reader will find fully treated in Books of Astronomy; I shall here only present him with the Figure and Dimension of it as follow.

Let S be the Sun, C the Moon, and T the Earth; Then is the Figure PIO the Penumbra, or fainter Shadow of the Moon, the Part of which HID above the Moon, is of equal Height, and therefore of equal Magnitude, with the Moon's dark Shadow; all this demonstrated by Astronomers.

Hence then TI (being equal to the Distance of the Moon  $TC=55.29$ , and the Length of her Shadow (or upper Part of the Penumbra)  $CI=58.25$ ) is equal to  $113.54$  Semidiameters of the Earth; and the Semiangle of the penumbral Cone  $TIF=16'$ , or the Sun's Semidiameter. Also the Side  $TF=1$  Semidiameter of the Earth.

Hence

Hence in the *Oblique Triangle* TIF, there is Given two Sides TI and TE, and an Angle opposite to one of them TIF; to find the Angle IFT, or its Complement IFN; by *Case II*, of *Oblique Triangles*, say thus;

As the Side ————— TF = 1 = 0.0090000  
Is to the Sine of ——— TIF = 16" = 7.6678445  
So is the Side ——— TI = 113.54 = 2.0551488

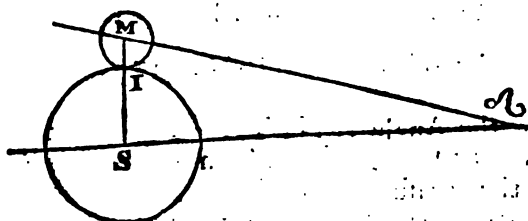
To the Sine of ——— IFN = 31° 54' = 9.7229933

Now the Angle IFN = TIF + ITF; hence IFN — TIF = ITF = 31° 38', which doubled is 63° 16', and is the Measure of the Arch EF, or so much of the Earth as is obscured by the penumbral Shadow of the Moon, in an Eclipse; that is about 4397 Miles; and when the Earth is nearest the Sun, and the Moon farthest from the Earth, this Penumbra will extend about 4900 Miles, on the Earth's Superficies.

*Note*; After the same Manner as the Semidiameter of the Moon's dark Shadow at the Earth seen from the Moon, was proved equal to the Difference of the Semidiameters of the Sun and Moon seen from the Earth, so the Semidiameter of the Penumbra at the Distance of the Earth is proved equal to the Sum of the said Semidiameters of the Sun and Moon, viz. 32' 52"; whence the whole Diameter of the Penumbra at the Earth seen from the Moon will be 1° 5' 44".

### X. To determine the Limits of an Eclipse of the Moon.

LET  $\odot S$  represent a Portion a Line in the Plane of the Ecliptic Parallel to the Earth's Orbit;



$\odot M$  a Portion of the Moon's Orb;  $M$  the Center of the Moon;  $S$  the Center of the Earth's Shadow at the Distance of the Moon;  $\odot$  the Node; and  $MS$  the Latitude of the Moon when the Shadow of the Earth doth just touch the Disk of the Moon; which Latitude is equal to the Sum of the Semidiameters of the Moon and Shadow,  $MI$  and  $IS$ ; also the Angle  $M\odot S$  is the Inclination of the Moon's Orb to the Plane of the Ecliptic. Now when this Angle is biggest, and the Semidiameters of the Moon and Shadow are least of all, then is the Point  $S$  the nearest possible to the Node  $\odot$  when an Eclipse can happen. Therefore the Distance  $S\odot$  is the Limit of Lunar Eclipses in such a Case. But when the said Angle is least, and the Semidiameters greatest, then is  $S\odot$  the greatest Limit, beyond which no Eclipse can happen.

Now in Order to find the least Limit, the Angle  $\odot SM$  must be made  $5^{\circ} 18'$ , and the Sum of the Semidiameters

midiameters, when least of all, is about  $53' = SM$ ; there being given in the Right-angled Triangle  $QSM$ , the Side  $SM$ , and the Angle  $Q$ , to find the Side  $SQ$ ; say thus, by *Case II. of Right-angled Triangles*;

As the Sine of —  $SQM = 5618' = 8.9655337$

To the Side —  $SM = 53 = 1.7242759$

So is the Sine of the An.  $SMQ = 84^{\circ}42' = 9.9981393$

To the Side (in Min.)  $SQ = 571.4 = 2.7568815$

Hence the Least Limit of a Lunar Eclipse is about  $9^{\circ} 31' 24''$ , within which there must be an Eclipse.

To find the Greatest Limit, the Angle  $Q$  must be taken  $5^{\circ}$ , and the Greatest Sum of the Semidiameters, or Line  $SM$ , is about 63.2 Minutes. Therefore say again;

As the Sine of the Angle  $SQM = 5^{\circ}00' = 8.9402960$

Is to the Side —  $SM = 63.2 = 1.8007171$

So is the Sine of the Ang.  $SMQ = 85^{\circ}00' = 9.9983442$

To the Side (in Min.)  $SQ = 722.4 = 2.8587653$

Therefore the Greatest Limits are  $12^{\circ} 2' 24''$  on each Side the Node, beyond which there can be no Eclipse.

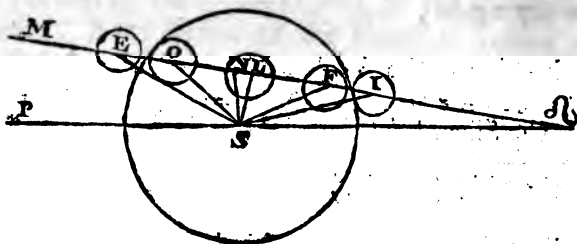
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XI. To calculate the Angles of Incidence and Exit, of Total Immersion and Emergence, the Motion of Half Duration, both of the total Eclipse and of absolute Darkness ; and how to turn the Whole into Time, in a Lunar Eclipse.

THE following Figure is a Representation of a total Eclipse of the Moon; in which  $PQ$  is a Portion of a Line or Path of the Earth's Shadow at the Moon parallel to the Ecliptic;  $MO$  the Way of the Moon's horary Motion from the Sun, at the



Time of the true Opposition ;  $S$  the Center of the Earth's Shadow at the Moon ;  $I$  the Center of the Moon the Moment she enters the Earth's Shadow ;  $F$  the Moon totally immersed in the Shadow ;  $SL$  the Least Distance of the Centers of the Earth's Shadow and Moon ;  $NS$  the Moon's Latitude from the Ecliptic ;  $O$  the Moon when she begins to emerge out of the Shadow ; and  $E$  the Moon in her Exit out of the Shadow entirely.

By

By Computations of another Kind, and in the Astronomical Tables, there are given, in any Eclipse, the Semidiameters of the Shadow and the Moon; the Angle  $MQP$ , or the Angular Motion of the Moon from the Sun;  $SN$  the Moon's Latitude; and  $SL$  the Least Distance of the Centers; whence the Rest may be found by the following *Trigonometrical Analogies*;

*I. For the Angles of Incidence and Exit, ISL,*

As the Sum of the Semidiameters ———  $SI$ ,  
Is to the Radius;  
So is the Least Distance of the Centers ———  $SL$ ,  
To the Co-sine of the Angle of Incidence  $LIS$ .  
But the Angle of Incidence  $ISL = ESL$ , the Angle  
of Exit,

*II. For the Angle of total Immersion and Emerision FSL.*

As the Difference of the Semidiameters ———  $SF$ ,  
Is to the Radius;  
So is the Least Distance of the Centers ———  $SL$ ,  
To the Co-sine of the Angle of Immersion  $SFL$ ,  
Whence  $FSL = OSL$ , are both known.

*III. For the Motion of Half Duration IL of the Eclipse.*

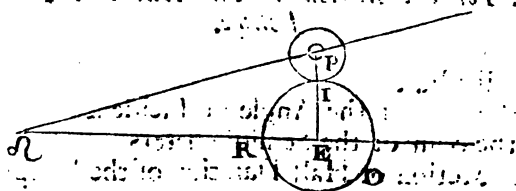
As the Radius,  
Is to the Sine of the Angle of Incidence  $ISL$ ;  
So is the Sum of the Semidiameters ———  $SL$ ,  
To the Motion of Half Duration of the Eclipse  $IL$ .

IV. For Half Continuance of *absolute Darkness* F L.  
 As Radius to the Sine of the Angle of } FSL;  
 Immersion ————— }  
 So is the Difference of the Semidiameters — FS,  
 To the Motion of Half Continuance of } F.L.  
 total Darkness ————— }

Thus the Motions are found, the Times in which they are performed (the Horary Motion of the Moon being always given in the Tables) are found by the Golden Rule thus;

As the Horary Motion of the Moon from the Sun }  
 in an Hour ————— }  
 Is to the Time of one Hour, or 60 Minutes ;  
 So is the Motion of Half Duration of the Eclipse,  
 To the Time in Hours or Minutes of that Duration.  
 And, So is the Motion of Half Continuance of }  
 absolute Darkness ————— }  
 To the Hours or Minutes of that Half Darkness.  
 Thus is the Beginning, Middle, and End of a  
 Lunar Eclipse to be found in Motion and Time.

XII. To determine the Limits of an Eclipse of the Sun.



IN this Figure, Let R Q I represent the Disk of the Earth; Q E a Portion of the Ecliptic; & P

a Part of the Moon's Way from the Sun;  $E\Omega P$  the Angle of the Moon's Way from the Sun, which when least, is  $5^{\circ} 30'$ , and when greatest, is about  $5^{\circ} 46'$ . P the Penumbra, in the Middle of which is a small Circle representing the dark Shadow of the Moon; lastly,  $EP$  is the nearest Distance of the Disk and Penumbra (being the Sum of the Semidiameters of each  $EI$  and  $IP$ ), which, when least, is about 85.5 Minutes, and when greatest, about 94.25 Minutes. Hence to find the least Limits of a Solar Eclipse, say;

As the Sine of the Angle  $E\Omega P = 5^{\circ} 46' = 9.9020687$   
Is to the Side (when least)  $EP = 85.5 = 1.9319661$   
So is the Sine of the Ang.  $EP\Omega = 84.14 = 9.9977966$   
To the Side (in Minutes)  $E\Omega = 846.6 = 2.9276940$

Hence the least Limit of a Solar Eclipse of  $E$  is about  $14^{\circ} 6' 36''$ , within which there must be an Eclipse.

For the greatest Limits, say;

As the Sine of the Angle  $E\Omega P = 5^{\circ} 30' = 8.9815729$   
Is to the Side (when greatest)  $EP = 94.22 = 1.9741431$   
So is the Sine of the Ang.  $EP\Omega = 84.30 = 9.9979960$   
To the Side (in Minutes)  $E\Omega = 978.5 = 2.9905662$

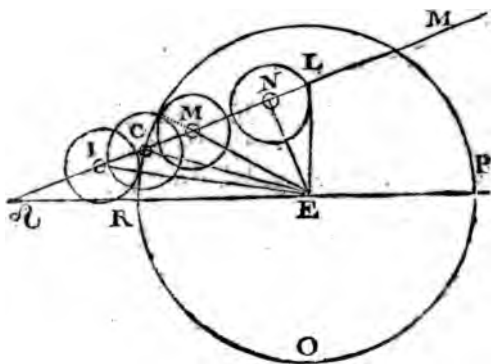
Hence the great Limits  $E\Omega = 16^{\circ} 18' 30''$ , beyond which there can be no Eclipse of the Sun.

*Note,* The Limits are not here (as in the Lunar Eclipses) determined from the real Place of the Nodes, but from that Point in the Ecliptic, where the

the Moon's Way from the Sun intersects it, which is somewhat distant from the Node; so that with Regard to the Nodes, the greatest Limits of Solar Eclipses will be about  $18^{\circ}$ , and the least about  $16^{\circ}$ , on each Side. Some Astronomers computing the Limits from the one Point, and some from the other, is the Reason I have calculated them from both Places.

**XIII.** *To calculate the Angles of Incidence, Immersion, the Motion of Half Duration of the Whole and Central Eclipse, and of the Penumbra within the Disk, in a Solar Eclipse.*

**I**N this Figure,  $\odot$  M is a Part of the Moon's Way,  $\odot$  P a Part of the Ecliptic projected on the Earth's Disk R O P; I the Center of the Pen-



umbra touching the Disk ; C the Center it self entering the Disk ; M the Penumbra totally immersed ;

NE the nearest Distance of the Centers of the Earth's Disk and Penumbra; LE the Latitude of the Moon; and P & M the Angle of the Moon's Way from the Sun; which being given, as are also the least Distance, and Sum of the Semidiameters of the Penumbra and Disk, from the Tables; there may be found by *Trigonometry*,

*I. The Angle of Incidence I E N:*

As the Sum of the Semidiameters of the Penumbra and Disk ——— } I E  
Is to the Radius; So is the least Distance of their Centers ——— } N E  
To the Co-sine of the Angle of Incidence (or Exit) ——— } N I E.

*II. The Immersion of the Center C.*

As the Semidiameter of the Earth's Disk ——— C E  
Is to Radius; So is the least Distance of the Centers EN  
To the Co-sine of the Angle of Immersion of the Center ——— } N C E.

*III. The Angle of Total Immersion, M E N.*

As the Difference of the Semidiameters ——— E M  
Is to Radius; So is the least Distance of the Centers NE  
To the Co-sine of the Angle of Total Immersion of the Penumbra ——— } E M N.

*IV. The Motion of Half Duration of the whole Eclipse.*

As Radius to the Sine of the Angle of Incidence ——— } I E N  
So is the Sum of the Semidiameters ——— E I,  
To the Motion of Half Duration of the whole Eclipse ——— } I N.

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V. *As the Radius to the Sine of the Angle of the Immersion of the Center C E N.*

So is the Semidiameter of the Disk ——— C E  
To the Motion of Half Duration of the Central Eclipse ——— } C N.

VL *The Motion of Half Duration of the Penumbra within the Discus of the Earth.*

As Radius is to the Sine of the Angle of } M E N  
total Immersion ——— }  
So is the Difference of Semidiameters ——— M E  
To the Motion of Half Continuance of the } M N.  
Penumbra within the Earth's Disk ——— }

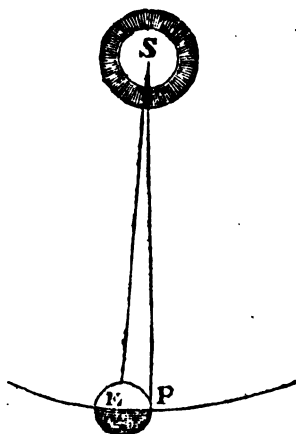
The Times of these Motions, and consequently the Beginning, Middle, and End of the Whole and Central Eclipse, are determined as directed in Prop. XI. of the Lunar Eclipse.

XIV. *To determine the Distance of the Earth from the Sun.*

THIS depends altogether on the Sun's Horizontal Parallax, which is so very small as to render this Matter extremely uncertain; and tho' various Methods have been attempted to ascertain the Quantity of the said Parallax, yet none have proved infallible, the greatest Men, as well among the Moderns as the Antients, vary in their most nice and exact Observations and Accounts of the same. At present the most learned Authors, as Sir Isaac Newton, Dr. Halley, M. Flamsteed, Dr. Gregory,

gory, Mr. *Whiston*, &c. do agree, that it is about 10 Seconds; and therefore according to that Parallax, the Sun's Distance is determined as follows.

Suppose in the annexed Figure, S represent the Center of the Sun; E the Center of the Earth in its Orbit; and an Observation of the Sun's Place in the Horizon be made at P, and the Difference of his true Place and that be 10'', this shall be the Angle P S E; the Side E P also is known, as being the Semidiameter of the Earth; and the Angle at P is a Right one;



therefore in the Right-angled Triangle P S E, there are given all the Angles and the Side E P, to find the Side E S, the Distance of the Centers of the Sun and Earth, by this Analogy;

As the Sine of the Sun's } P S E = 10'' = 5.6855626  
Parallax ————— }

Is to the Side ————— P E = 1 = 0.0000000

So is Radius ————— 90° = 10.0000000

To the Dist. of the Sun } E S = 20527 = 4.3141374  
and Earth ————— }

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Then

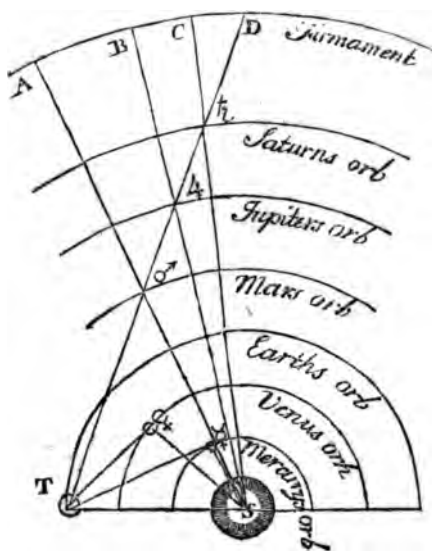


Then multiply this Dist. in Semidiameters = 20627  
By the Miles in one Semidiameter 3982

The Prod. is the Sun's Dist. in Miles, viz. 82136014  
Mr. *Whiston* makes this Distance — 81000000

And some make it more, and others less; but in measuring the Distances of the other Planets, the aforesaid Distance of the Earth and Sun is divided into 100000 Parts, and the Distances of the Planets from the Earth and Sun are computed in those Parts.

XV. To measure the Distances of the Primary Planets from the Sun, in proportional Parts of the Earth's Distance divided into 100000.



IN the Scheme adjoin'd, you observe S is the Center of the Sun and Planetary System; ♀ the Planet *Mercury*, and ♀ the Planet *Venus*, both in their greatest Elongations from the Sun; T the Earth; ♂ *Mars*, ♃ *Jupiter*, and ♄ *Saturn*, in their several Orbs;

Orbs; and which view'd from the Earth appear all in the Firmament at D, but if view'd from the Sun, *Mars* will appear in A, *Jupiter* in B, and *Saturn* in C; wherefore the Arch AD is the Measure of the Parallax T  $\delta$  S of *Mars*, and is about  $41^\circ$ , when greatest of all. The Arch BD is the Measure of *Jupiter's* Parallax T  $\psi$  S, and is about 11 Degrees, when greatest. The Arch CD is the Measure of *Saturn's* Parallax T  $\eta$  S, which is about 6 Degrees, when greatest.

And ST  $\varphi$  is the greatest Elongation of *Venus* from the Sun, which is about  $46^\circ 41'$ . And ST  $\varphi$  is the greatest Elongation of *Mercury* from the Sun, and is about  $22^\circ 46'$ .

These are the Definitions of the Planets Parallaxes and Elongations in general, by which we calculate their Distances from the Sun; for when they are greatest they constitute a Right Angle at  $\varphi$  and  $\varphi$ , and at T for the superior Planets  $\delta$ ,  $\psi$  and  $\eta$ , and the Side TS is common in every Triangle; whence by the following Analogies are found,

*I. The Distance of Mercury from the Sun.*

|                                                    |      |                |                  |            |
|----------------------------------------------------|------|----------------|------------------|------------|
| As Radius                                          | ———— | ————           | ————             | 10.0000000 |
| Is to the Side                                     | ———— | TS =           | 100000 =         | 5.0000000  |
| So is the greatest E-<br>longat. of <i>Mercury</i> | }    | ST $\varphi$ = | $22^\circ 46' =$ | 9.5878230  |
| To the Distance of<br><i>Mer.</i> from the Sun     |      | S $\varphi$ =  | $38710 =$        | 4.5878230  |

II. *The Distance of Venus from the Sun.*

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{As Radius} & \text{---} & 10.0000000 \\
 \text{Is to the Side} & \text{---} & TS = 100000 = 5.0000000 \\
 \text{So is the greatest E-} & \} & \\
 \text{longation of Venus} & \text{ST} \varphi = 46^\circ 41' = 9.8593184 \\
 & & \text{-----} \\
 \text{To the Distance of} & \} & \\
 \varphi \text{ from the Sun} & \text{S} \varphi = 72333 = 4.8593184 \\
 & & \text{-----}
 \end{array}$$

III. *The Distance of Mars from the Sun.*

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{As the Sine of the} & \} & \\
 \text{greatest Parallax} & \text{T} \delta S = 41^\circ 00' = 9.8171042 \\
 \text{Is to the Side} & \text{---} & TS = 100000 = 5.0000000 \\
 \text{So is Radius} & \text{---} & 10.0000000 \\
 & & \text{-----} \\
 \text{To the Distance of} & \} & \\
 \delta \text{ from the Sun} & \text{S} \delta = 152369 = 5.1828958 \\
 & & \text{-----}
 \end{array}$$

IV. *The Distance of Jupiter from the Sun.*

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{As the Sine of the} & \} & \\
 \text{greatest Parallax} & \text{T} \varphi S = 11^\circ 05' = 9.2839164 \\
 \text{Is to the Side} & \text{---} & TS = 100000 = 5.0000000 \\
 \text{So is Radius} & \text{---} & 10.0000000 \\
 & & \text{-----} \\
 \text{To the Distance of} & \} & \\
 \varphi \text{ from the Sun} & \text{S} \varphi = 520096 = 5.7160836 \\
 & & \text{-----}
 \end{array}$$

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*V. The Distance of Saturn from the Sun.*

|                                         |   |                                    |            |
|-----------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------|
| As the Sine of the<br>greatest Parallax | } | $T \text{ h } S = 6^{\circ} 00' =$ | 9.0204526  |
| Is to the Side                          |   | $T S = 100000 =$                   | 5.0000000  |
| So is Radius                            |   |                                    | 10.0000000 |
| To the Distance of<br>h from the Sun    | } | $S \text{ h } = 954006 =$          | 5.9795474  |

Thus the Proportion of the Distances of all the Planets from the Sun is determined, and is seen in one View, as below.

*Saturn* h. *Jupiter* v. *Mars* d. *Earth* θ. *Venus* ♀ *Mercury* γ.  
954006. 520096. 152369. 100000. 72333. 38710.

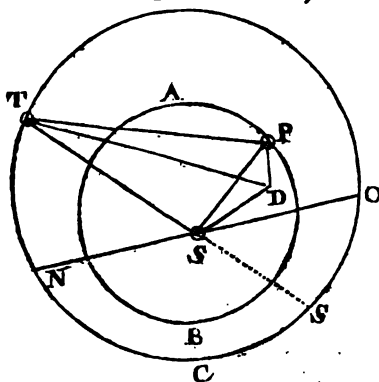
These Proportional Distances are easily turn'd into Miles by the Golden Rule, thus; As 100000 : is to the Distance of the Sun in Miles, viz. 82136014 : : so the Proportional Distance of any other Planet : to its Distance from the Sun in Miles.

*XVI. To calculate the Geocentric Place, Latitude, and Distance of a superior or an inferior Planet, as Venus or Mars.*

**S**uppose you have (as you may have for any Point of Time) from the Astronomical Tables, the Heliocentric Place and Distance of the Planet *Venus*, for Instance, from the Sun; the Place and Distance of the Earth for the same Moment being also

also given from the said Tables, we can easily find the Planet's Place, Latitude, and Distance with respect to our selves.

In the following, let S be the Sun; A P B the Orb of an inferior Planet; NSO the Line of its Nodes; P its Heliocentric or true Place in its Orb; TOC the Earth's Orb, and T its Place therein.



Then, from the Tables there is given the Distance from the Earth and Sun TS; and the Curvate Distance of the Planet SD; also is Heliocentric Latitude PSD; lastly, there is given the Angle of Commutation TSD, the Difference between

the Place of the Earth T (or Sun S) and the Planet P, as seen from the Sun. These Things being thus given, we can find,

- I. *The Elongation of the Planet from the Sun*, STD.
- II. *The Parallax of the Orbis Magna*, TDS.
- III. *The Geocentric Curvate Distance*, T D.
- IV. *The Geocentric Latitude of the Planet*, PTD.

For, in the Oblique Triangle TSD, there are given two Sides TS and SD, and the Angle included TSD, to find the other two Angles STD the Elongation, and TDS the Parallax of the Orb of the Earth, by *Case III. of Oblique Triangles*.

Then

Then, by *Case I.* in the same Triangle, you can find TD the Curtate Distance of the Planet from the Earth.

Lastly, in the two Triangles DSP and DTP, Right-angled at D, the Tangent of the Angle DSP is to the Tangent of DTP, as TD is to DS; But as TD is to DS, so is the Sine of the Angle of Commutation TSD to the Sine of the Elongation STD. Wherefore it will be,

As the Sine of the Angle of Commutation TSD,  
Is to the Sine of the Angle of Elongation STD;  
So is the Tang. of the Heliocentric Latitude PSD,  
To the Tangent of the Geocentric Latitude PTD.

This Scheme is adapted indeed only to an inferior Planet, but the Method and Proportions are equally the same in any superior one; only this is to be minded, that in finding the two Angles of the Parallax and Elongation, the greater Angle in the superior Planets is the Elongation; but in the inferior ones, it is the Parallax of the Orb, *et c Contra*, for the Angle which is least.

## XVII. *To determine the Orb of the Earth, or to find its Axis's, Position, and Eccentricity.*

**T**HIS grand and fundamental Proposition of all true Astronomy is performed by a very curious and accurate Method (among others) invented by that present great Prince of Astronomers Dr. *Edmond Halley*, and is thus;

Let



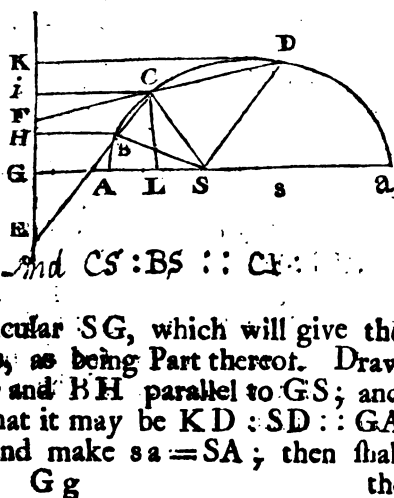
After the same Manner when the Planet has finished another Period, the Earth will be in D ; and therefore the Position and Length of the Line SD is given.

Thus, Having three Lines meeting in the Focus of an Ellipsis, all given in Length and Position, the Transverse Axis, Distance of the Foci, and consequently the whole Theory of the Planet moving in this Elliptic Orb, may be known, or found by *Trigonometrical* Calculation, as in the following Proposition.

XVIII. *Having three Lines meeting in the Focus of an Ellipse, all given in Length and Position, to find the Length of the Transverse Diameter, and its Position, and Distance of its Foci.*

LET SD, SC and SB be the three Lines given in Magnitude and Position; Draw DC and BC, and produce them; so that it may be  $SD : CS :: DF : CF$ . Join FE, on which

let fall the Perpendicular SG, which will give the Position of the Axis, as being Part thereof. Draw the Lines DK, Ci, and BH parallel to GS; and cut SG so in A, that it may be  $KD : SD :: GA : SA :: Ga : Sa$ , and make  $sa = SA$ ; then shall the





the Points  $A$  and  $a$  be the Apfides of the Orbit, whose Foci are  $S$  and  $s$ , and Transverse Axis  $Aa$ ; the Quantity of which Lines are thus investigated by *Trigonometry*.

In the  $DSC$  having the  $DS$  and  $CS$ , and the Angle  $DSC$ ; we can find the Side  $DC$ , and the Angles  $SCD$  and  $SDC$ , by *Case III. of Oblique Triangles*. In the same Manner we can find in the Triangle  $BSC$ , the Side  $BC$ , and the Angles  $SBC$  and  $SCB$ ; and because it is  $SD : CS :: D : CF$ , and  $DC$  being known,  $CF$  will also be known; in like Manner we shall also have  $BE$  and  $CE$ ; but we have the Angle  $BCD$ , and therefore  $FCE$  is Complement to  $180^\circ$ . In the Triangle  $FCE$  we have the Sides  $FC$  and  $CE$ , and the Angle  $FCE$ , and therefore can find the Angle  $FEC$ , and so its Complement to a Right-angle  $iCE$ ; to which add the known Angle  $SCB$ , we have the whole Angle  $SCi$ ; and because of the parallel Lines  $Sa$  and  $Ci$ , the Angle  $CSa$  is equal to the Angle  $SCi$ . Having therefore the Angle  $CSa$ , we have the Position of the Transverse Axis.

In the Right-angled Triangle  $ECi$  having  $EC$ , and the Angle  $E$ , we can find  $Ci$ , and therefore the Proportion of  $CF$  to  $Ci$ .

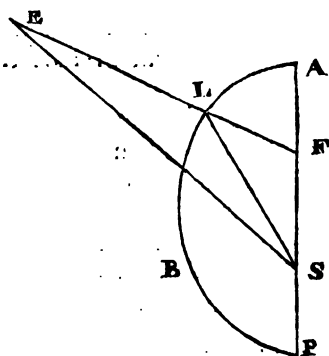
In the Triangle  $CSL$ , right-angled at  $L$ , there is given the Angle  $CSL$  (the Complement of  $CSa$ ) and the Side  $CS$ , hence we shall find  $SL$ , to which adding  $LG = Ci$ , we have the Whole  $SG$ ; and because  $CS$  and  $Ci$  are known, Let it be made  $CS : Ci :: SA : AG :: Sa : aG :: Ss : Aa$ ; and thus we shall have the Apfides of the Ellipse  $A, a$ ; and the Distance of the Foci  $Ss$ , which were to be found.

*This*

This Distance of the Foci, or Centers of the Ellipse, is the Double of that, which in the Planetary Orbs, is called the Eccentricity. And thus by these two last Propositions the Axis of the Earth's Orb, its Position, and Eccentricity, are readily determined, by Observation and *Plain Trigonometry*.

**XIX.** *By having the Eccentricity and Mean Anomaly, to find the Prosthaphæresis, Equation, or true Anomaly of any Planet.*

**L**ET ABP be one Half of the Ellipse, which the Planet describes; AP the Line of the Apsidæ; S the Focus in which the Sun is placed; F the other upper Focus which is the Center of the Mean Motion, according to Bishop *Ward's* elegant and easy Hypothesis. Let L be the Place of the Planet in its Orb; then shall the Angle AFL be the given Mean Anomaly, and ASL the Co-equated, or True Anomaly; in order to find which by *Trigonometry* proceed thus; Produce FL to E, so that FE=AP (=FL+LS, by the Nature of an Ellipsis.) Hence LE=LS, and therefore the Triangle LSE is an Isosceles one, and so the Angle E=ESL; But the Angle SLF = E + ESL,



or Double of either (by *Theor. V.*) Therefore in the Triangle  $EF'S$ , having  $FE$  and  $FS$ , and the Angle  $EFS$  the Complement of the mean Anomaly  $AFL$  to  $180^\circ$  we can find the Angles  $E$  and  $ESF$ , by *Case III. of Oblique Triangles*, thus;

$$\text{As } \frac{EF+FS}{2} : \frac{EF-FS}{2}, \text{ that is, } AS : SP ::$$

$$\text{Tangent } \frac{1}{2} AFE : \text{Tangent of } \frac{ESF-E}{2} = FSL;$$

which Analogy put into Words is thus ;

As the Aphelium Distance ————  $AS$ ,  
Is to the Perihelium Distance ————  $SP$ ;  
So is the Tang. of half the Mean Anomaly  $AFL$ ,  
To the Tangent of half the True Anomaly  $ASL$ .

The Difference therefore between the Mean Anomaly and the True, is the Angle  $SLF$ ; which, because if added to, or taken from the Mean Anomaly, it gives the True Anomaly, is therefore called the Prosthaphæresis, or Equation of the Orb, and is ready calculated to every Degree of the Mean Anomaly in the Astronomical Tables.

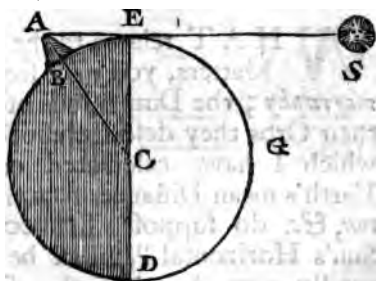
This Method of Bishop *Ward's* is but an ingenious Approximation to the True Anomaly, not the Truth it self; therefore *Bullialdus* has given a very considerable Correction thereof, which may be seen in *Dr. Gregory's*, *Dr. Keil's*, and *Mr. Whiston's Astronomical Works*.

## XX. To measure the Height of the Mountains in the Moon.

THE famous Astronomer *Ricciolus* affirms, that on the 4th Day after the New Moon he has observ'd the Top of the Hill call'd *St. Katharine*, or Mount *Sinai*, to be illuminated, and that it was distant from the Confines of the Lucid Surface about a 16th Part of the Moon's Diameter, or an 8th Part of the Semidiameter.

Let BGD represent the Moon; A the Top of a Mountain thereon; CE be the Semidiameter of the Moon, which let be 8, then will AE be 1; therefore in the Triang. AEC Right angled at E, there is given two Sides AE=1, and EC=8, to find the Side AC, which by *Method VIII*, is thus; The Squares  $AE^2 + CE^2 = 1 + 64 = 65$ ; but  $AC = \sqrt{65} = 8.062$ ; Now  $AC - BC = 0.062 = AB$  the Height of the Mountain A. But since (by *Proposition IV.*) the Semidiameter of the Moon is 1079.5 *English Miles*, we shall find the Miles in AB, by this Analogy; As  $8 : 1079.5 :: .062 : 8 \frac{1}{4}$  *English Miles*, the Height of the Mountain sought.

But, considering the small Bulk of the Moon compared with the Earth, it seems not likely that a Mountain in the Moon should be 3 Times as high as the highest on Earth; 'tis therefore to be supposed



fed that *Ricciolus's* Observations were defective; since *Hevelius*, in his *Selenography* reckons them in General scarcely so high as the Mountains on the Earth. See more in *Derham's Astro-Theology* B. V. Chap. 2. in the Notes and the Books he there quotes, or refers to.

## XXI. To determine the Plane, Square, and Cubic or Solid Measures of the Planets, and their Orbs.

**W**HAT relates to the Earth, concerning these Matters, you may see in the Chapter of *Cosmography*; the Dimensions of the other Planets, and their Orbs they describe about the Sun, here follow; which I have calculated on the Supposition the Earth's mean Distance from the Sun be (as Mr *Whiston*, &c. do suppose) 81000000 Miles; tho' if the Sun's Horizontal Parallax be indeed 10", as is generally agreed, then the said Distance will be 82136014, as by *Prop. XIV.* does appear. However the other being a round Number, and not greatly different, the Dimensions of the Planets according to it are here stated, viz.

### Of MERCURY.

|                                     | Miles      |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| His Diameter —————                  | 2460       |
| The Circumference of his Body ———   | 7724       |
| The Superficies in Square Miles ——— | 1960804    |
| The Solidity in Cubic Miles ———     | 7793273000 |
| The Diameter of his Orb ———         | 64000000   |
| The Circumference of his Orb ———    | 201024000  |

Of

*Of VENUS.*

|                                     | Miles.       |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Her Diameter — — — — —              | 7906         |
| The Circumference of her Body — — — | 24823        |
| The Superficial Content — — — — —   | 196238000    |
| The Solidity — — — — —              | 258445900000 |
| The Diameter of her Orb — — — — —   | 118000000    |
| The Circumference of her Orb — — —  | 370636000    |

*Of the MOON.*

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Her Diameter — — — — —             | 2775       |
| Her Circumference — — — — —        | 6829       |
| The Superficial Content — — — — —  | 14855440   |
| The Solidity — — — — —             | 5386333000 |
| The Diameter of her Orb — — — — —  | 477840     |
| The Circumference of her Orb — — — | 1500418    |

*Of MARS.*

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| The Diameter — — — — —             | 4444        |
| The Circumference — — — — —        | 13960       |
| The Superficies — — — — —          | 62032000    |
| The Solidity — — — — —             | 45966600000 |
| The Diameter of his Orb — — — — —  | 246000000   |
| The Circumference of his Orb — — — | 773686000   |

*Of JUPITER.*

|                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| The Diameter — — — — —             | 81155           |
| The Circumference — — — — —        | 254908          |
| The Superficial Content — — — — —  | 20780000000     |
| The Solid Content — — — — —        | 281042300000000 |
| The Diameter of his Orb — — — — —  | 848000000       |
| The Circumference of his Orb — — — | 2662280000      |

*Of*

## Of SATURN.

|                                    | Miles.          |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| His Diameter —————                 | 67870           |
| His Circumference —————            | 213112          |
| The Superficial Content —————      | 14468430000     |
| The Solidity —————                 | 163637700000000 |
| The Diameter of his Orb —————      | 1554000000      |
| The Circumference of his Orb ————— | 4881891000      |

|                            | Mer. | Ven.  | Earth. | Moon. | Mars. | Jup.     | Sat.     | Sun.  |
|----------------------------|------|-------|--------|-------|-------|----------|----------|-------|
| The Density of the Plan. } | **   | **    | 3.87   | 7.00  | **    | 0.76     | 0.60     | 1.00  |
| The Gravity }              | **   | **    | 1.00   | 0.34  | **    | 2.00     | 1.28     | 24.40 |
| The Prop. of Magnit. }     | 78.  | 2584. | 2644.  | 53.   | 459.  | 2810423. | 1636377. |       |
| Prop. of Heat              | 600. | 200.  | 100.   | 100.  | 40.   | 37.      | 11.      |       |

The Heat of the Sun being supposed 4500000.

Thus I have finished the Modern *Ὀυρανομετρία*, or Dimensions of the Heavens, and Heavenly Bodies therein; which you see is altogether performed by *Plain Trigonometry*.

This *Ὀυρανομετρία*, or Contemplation of the Heavens, the Sun, the Moon, and the Stars, should lead us to admire the infinite Power and Wisdom of that Great Being who made not only this, but (probably) numberless Systems of other Planetary Worlds, disposed thro' the universal Space.

## CHAP. V.

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## CHAP. IV.

Plain Trigonometry *applied to Fortification* ; *Shewing how the Quantity of the Sides and Lines of any Fort are determined by Trigonometrical Calculation.*

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**F**ORTIFICATION is an Art that requires no small Skill in *Plain Trigonometry*, as will appear by the Sequel of this Chapter.

Fortification is called *Military Architecture*, as it shews how to fortify a Place by constructing Ramparts, Parapets, Moats, and other Bulwarks of Defence, to the End that a few Men in Garison, thus circumstanced, might be able to defend and secure themselves, and the Place from the Attacks of a numerous Army of the Enemy without.

Fortification is either Regular or Irregular ; that is, a Regular Fortification which is built on the Plan of a Regular Polygon, the Sides and Angles of which are all equal ; as a *Pentagon, Hexagon, &c.*

Irregular Fortification is that whose Sides and Angles are not uniform and equal, nor equi-distant from each other.

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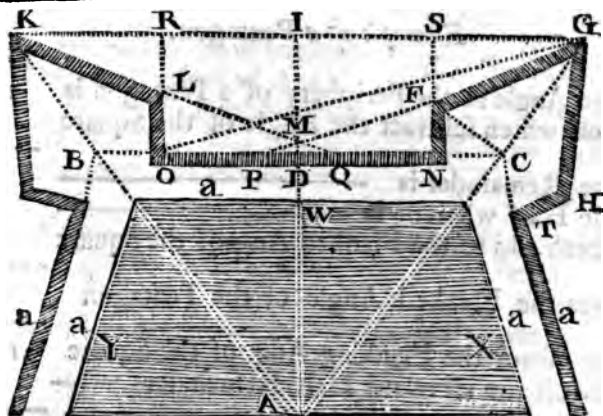


But a more particular Description of each Part, (about which the *Trigonometer* is more immediately concern'd) take as follows. See the *Figure*.

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| I. A Fort is a Piece of Ground environed with a Rampire or Wall, and a Ditch to impede the Assaults of an Enemy; as the Pentagonal Fort ——— | } YWXA.       |
| II. A Rampire is a Wall of Earth enclosing the Place fortified, the Foundation whereof is ———                                               | } a a, a a, a |
| III. The Curtain is the Side ———                                                                                                            | ON.           |
| IV. The Bulwark is the Part ———                                                                                                             | NFGHT.        |
| V. The Front of a Bulwark ———                                                                                                               | FG or KL.     |
| VI. The Flank of the Bastion or Bulwark is ———                                                                                              | } FN or LO.   |
| VII. The Gorge of a Bulwark, is the Space between its two Flanks, as ———                                                                    | } NT.         |
| VIII. The Gorge Line is the Line ———                                                                                                        | NC.           |
| IX. The Head Line of the Bastion is ———                                                                                                     | CG.           |
| X. The Shoulder of the Bastion is ———                                                                                                       | F, or L.      |
| XI. The Flanked Angle, or Diamond Point ———                                                                                                 | G.            |
| XII. The Line of Defence fixed or Fichant, is ———                                                                                           | } OG.         |
| XIII. The Inward Flanking Angle is ———                                                                                                      | SGF.          |
| XIV. The Outward Flanking Angle is ———                                                                                                      | G MK.         |
| XV. The Angle of the Shoulder ———                                                                                                           | NFG.          |
| XVI. The False Bray ———                                                                                                                     | BC.           |

There are various other Terms used in this Art, but these are sufficient to answer my Purpose; which is only to shew the Necessity of the Doctrine of *Plain Trigonometry* for all such as would have Notion or Skill in *Fortification*.

The



The Quantity of the Angle at the Periphery of any Polygon, is called (by Authors on this Subject) the Angle of the Polygon; and Half the Quantity of the Angles at the Center (which is always 50 Degrees, they call the Angle of the Square; also the Flanked Angle of the Square being always 60 Degrees, and the outward Flanking Angle being 150 Degrees; there follows this general Rule for finding the same Flanked and Flanking Angles in any other Regular Polygon; viz.

### *The R U L E.*

Subtract the Angle of the Square  $90^\circ$  from the Angle of the Polygon; Half the Remainder add to the Flanked Angle of the Square  $60^\circ$ , the Sum is the Flanked Angle of the Polygon proposed.

Also subtract the Half-Remainder from the Flanking Angle of the Square  $150^\circ$ , and there will remain the Flanking Angle of the given Polygon.

*Example*

*Example of a Pentagon.*

|                                                               |      |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------|
|                                                               | Deg. |
| The Angle at the Periphery of a Pentagon is                   | 108  |
| From which subtract the Angle of the Square                   | 90   |
| The Remainder is                                              | 18   |
| The Half whereof is                                           | 9    |
| Which add to the Flanked Ang. of the Square                   | 60   |
| Gives the Flanked Angle of the Pentagon                       | 69   |
| Then from the Flanking Ang. of the Square                     | 150  |
| Subduct the aforesaid Half Remainder                          | 9    |
| There will remain the Flanking Angle of<br>the given Pentagon | 141  |

Now, the Flanked Angle of the Bulwark being known, we can thereby come at the Knowledge of all the other Angles necessary to be known, in the Method following.

|                                                                                 |              |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| In the foregoing Figure, the Angle<br>at the Center of the Pentagon is          | BAC = 72.00  |
| The Half thereof is                                                             | CAD = 36.00  |
| The Complement of which to 90° is                                               | DCA = 54.00  |
| The Angle at the Bulwark is                                                     | FGH = 69.00  |
| The Half thereof is                                                             | FCG = 34.30  |
| Which subtracted from SGC=DCA<br>there will remain the Inward<br>Flanking Angle | SFG = 19.30  |
| Therefore its Complement is                                                     | SFG = 70.30  |
| Which subtract from two Right-Ang.                                              | 180.00       |
| Leaves the Angle of the Shoulder                                                | NFG = 109.30 |
|                                                                                 | Also         |

Also 2 SFG=2IMG, is equal to } KMG =  $141.00$   
 the Outward Flanked Angle }  
 Lastly, from two Right-angles ——— 180.00  
 Subtract Half the Ang. of the Polyg. BCA =  $54.00$   
 There remains the Angle ——— DCG =  $126.00$

And thus from the Flanked Angle of any other Polygon given, are the other Angles to be determined. And tho' there is no Necessity that the Angles of a Fort should be exactly such as are found by the above Method, but may be something more or less as the Place or other Occasions may require; yet supposing them such, in the Pentagon, the Quantity of the Sides are to be determined by *Trigonometrical* Calculation, as in the subsequent Method.

In Order to this, there must be given Feet.  
 I. The Curtain, which suppose ——— ON =  $420$   
 II. The Front of the Bulwark ——— FG =  $280$

Whence the other Sides are thus found.

I. In the Right Triangle SGF, by Case III.

As Radius ——— ——— ———  $10,000,000$   
 Is to the Front of the } FG =  $280 = 2.4471580$   
 Bulwark ——— }  
 So is the Sine of the } SGF =  $19^{\circ}30' = 9.5234953$   
 Flanking Angle }  
 To the Line ——— SF =  $93.47 = 1.9706533$

II. In

II. In the same Triangle, and by the same Case.

As Radius ———— 10.0000000  
 Is to the Front of the }  
 Bulwark ———— }  $FG = 280 = 2.4471580$   
 So is the Sine of the }  
 Angle ———— }  $SFG = 79^{\circ}39' = 9.9743466$   
 To the Line ————  $SG = 263.94 = 2.4215046$   
 Add Half the Curtain  $SI = 210.00$

The Sum is the Line —  $IG = 473.94$   
 The Double whereof is  $KG = 947.88$  the Side of  
 the outer Pentagon, or Distance of the Diamond  
 Points G, K.

III. In the Right-Triangle I A G, by Case II.

As the Sine of the Angle  $IAG = 36^{\circ}00' = 9.7692187$   
 Is to the Side ————  $IG = 473.94 = 2.6757200$   
 So is Radius ———— 10.0000000  
 To the Side, or Line —  $AG = 806.3 = 2.9065013$

IV. In the same Triangle, by Case I.

As the Sine of the Angle  $IAG = 36.00 = 9.7692187$   
 Is to the Side ————  $IG = 473.94 = 2.6757200$   
 So is the Sine of the Ang.  $AGI = 54.00 = 9.9079576$   
 To the Side or Line —  $IA = 652.3 = 2.8144589$

V. In

V. *In the Oblique Triangle FCG, by Case I.*

As the Sine of the Ang.  $FCG=86^{\circ}00' = 9.9989408$   
 Is to the Front of the }  $FG=280 = 2.4471580$   
 Bulwark ————— }  
 So is the Sine of the Ang.  $FGC=34^{\circ}30' = 9.7531280$   
 To the Line —————  $FC=158.98 = 2.2013452$

VI. *In the same Triangle, and by the same Case.*

As the Sine of the Angle  $FCG=86^{\circ}00' = 9.9989408$   
 Is to the Front ———  $FG=280 = 2.4471580$   
 So is the Sine of the Ang.  $GFC=59^{\circ}30' = 9.9353204$   
 To the Line ———  $CG=241.44 = 2.3835376$   
 Which subduct from —  $AG=806.31$   
 There remains ———  $AC=564.87$

VII. *In the Right Triangle FCN, by Case III.*

As Radius ——— ———  $10.0000000$   
 To the Line ———  $FC=158.98 = 2.2013452$   
 So is the Sine of the Ang.  $FCN=40^{\circ}00' = 9.8080675$   
 To the Flank Line —  $FN=102.19 = 2.0094127$   
 To which add the Line  $SF=93.47$   
 The Sum is the Line —  $ID=195.66$   
 Which subtract from —  $AI=652.32$   
 There remains the Line  $AD=456.66$

VIII. *Is*

VIII. *In the same Triangle, and by the same Case.*

As Radius ————— 10.0000000  
 Is to the Side ——— FC=158.98= 2.2013452  
 So is the Sine of the Ang. CFN=50°00' = 9.8842540

To the Gorge Line——— NC =121.78= 2.0855992  
 Add Half the Curtain . DN =210.

The Sum is the Line—— DC =331.78  
 The Double of which is BC =663.56

IX. *In the Right Triangle FPN, by Case II.*

As the Sine of the Ang. FPN=19°30' = 9.5234953  
 To the Flank ——— FN =162.19= 2.0094127  
 So is the Sine of the Ang. PFN= 70.30= 9.9743466

To the Line——— PN =288.58= 2.4602640  
 Which sub. from the Curt. NO=420.

There remains the Side OP =131.42

X. *In the Right Triangle ROG, by Case IV.*

As the Line (SG+ON=) RG=683.94= 2.8350200  
 Is to the Side——— OR=195.66= 2.2914900  
 So is Tangent Radius ——— 10.0000000

To the Tang. of the Ang. RGO=15°58' = 9.4564700

XI. *In the same Triangle, by the same Case.*

As the Sine of the Angle RGO=15°58' = 9.4394560  
 Is to the Side or Line RO =195.66= 2.2914900  
 So is Radius ——— 10.0000000

To the longest Line of } OG=711.4= 2.8520340  
 Defence ——— }

Thus

Thus you have delivered a Method for finding the Quantity of the Lines, Sides, and Angles of any regular Fortification ; and herein the young Student will see farther the great Use and Excellency of *Plain Trigonometry*.



## CHAP. V.

*Plain Trigonometry applied to the Doctrine of Projectiles, or Art of Gunnery ; shewing the Calculation of the Impetus, Direction, Amplitude, Height, &c. of the Projections, or Randoms, of Bullets and Bombs shot or thrown from Pieces of Ordnance.*

**T**HE Art of Gunnery altogether depends on the Doctrine of Projections, and its chiefest Propositions are performed by *Trigonometrical Calculations*.

The Line of Motion, which a Body projected describes, abstracting from the Resistance of the Medium, is the Curve of a Parabola, as has been of late proved by many Mathematicians, and particularly by Sir Isaac Newton in his *Math. Principles of Philosophy*. Which Line is also described by every descending Body.



In the Doctrine of Projection, or Projected Bodies, we are to consider principally these following Things;

- I. The Impetus or Force wherewith the Body is projected from any given Point.
- II. The Direction of the Motion of the projected Body, which is either Parallel to the Horizon, or obliquely inclined thereto, above or beneath it.
- III. The Amplitude of the Projection, or Distance to which a Body is cast, in any Direction.
- IV. The Height or Altitude of the Projection, or the highest Point of the Curve it describes above the Horizon.

With Respect to the Art of Gunnery, the above-mentioned Particulars are to be understood thus;

The Impetus is the Force of the Gunpowder, whereby the Bullet or Bomb is violently projected from the Ordnance.

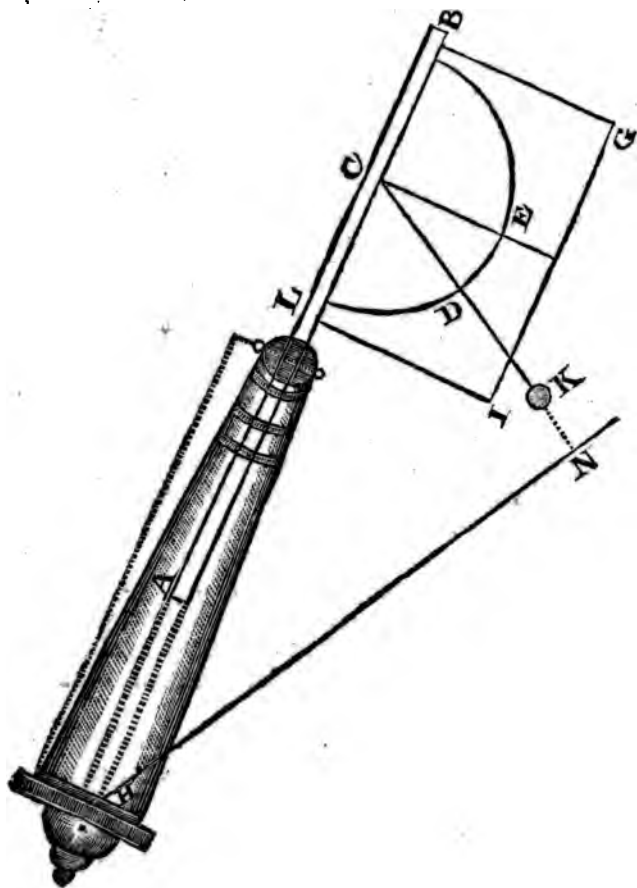
The Direction is the Position of the Cannon, either parallel to, or elevated above the Horizon, in any given Angle.

The Amplitude of the Projection, is the Range, or Random (rather) of the Range, or Line of the Bullet's Course, before it grazes.

The Height of the Projection is the Height of the Range, for the Projection is call'd the Range, in this Art.

Concerning the Direction and Elevation of a Piece of Ordnance, these following Particulars are to be noted.

The Direction of a Cannon is to be reckoned the same with the Direction of its Concreary; for by the



the Firing of the Gunpowder the Bullet is emitted according to the Concavity of the Cannon or Mortar ; and was it not for Gravity, it would proceed in that Right-line produced ; so that that Right-line is the Direction of the Ordnance.

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When Walls are to be batter'd, or any Thing to be done, where a great Impetus is required, and the Mark is not above 200 Paces off, and the Engine sufficiently; In such Shots as these, the Direction of the Cavity, proper Quantity of Powder, and Weight or Size of Balls, are the only Requisites to strike the Mark Point Blank, or directly.

But, since Citadels, or the Town to be bomb'd, cannot most commonly, by reason of its too great Distance, be hit by a direct Level; the Engine must be elevated in a given Angle to the Horizon; For which Purpose, there is used a Ruler ACB, whereunto is fixed a graduated Semicircle LEB in the Parallelogram LIGB, from the Center of which hangs a Plummets K. The Ruler must be inserted into the Mouth or Cavity of the Piece, and held parallel to the Axis thereof; and thus the Ordnance is to be raised or depressed, till the Perpendicular CK cuts the Degrees of Elevation required in the Point D, reckoning the Degrees from E L. For 'tis evident by Inspection, that the Angle ECD is equal to the Angle CHN the Elevation of the Engine; because the Angle DCL is the Complement of both to a Right-angle.

In order to reduce the Doctrine of Projection of Heavy Bodies to a Methodical Calculation, and apply it at the same Time to the Art of Gunnery; we must, instead of the Force of the Powder, consider the Perpendicular Height to which the given Charge of Powder is sufficient to throw the Ball; and having the Perpendicular Height of any Impetus of the Powder, this may be represented by a Right-line, and therefore the Calculation may be made with Ease, as follows;

In



## Canon I.

As Radius : is to the Tangent of the Elevation  $FAD$ ,  
 :: So is  $AD$ , one Fourth of the Amplitude  $AK$ ,  
 : To the Height of the Range  $HI$ .

## Canon II.

As the Sine of the Angle of Elevation  $FAD$ ,  
 : Is to the Radius,  
 :: So is  $DF$  :  $AF$ ; and then  
 :: So is  $AF$  :  $AB$  the Height perpendicularly.

## Canon III.

As Radius : to the Sine of the An. of Elevation  $ABF$ ,  
 :: So is the Time of the Perpendic. Projection  $AB$ ,  
 : To the Time of the Projection in  $AF$ .

## Canon IV.

As the Sine of Double the Angle of Eleva- }  $2KAF$ ,  
 tion, or \_\_\_\_\_ }  
 : Is to the Sine of Double the Angle of }  $2KAM$   
 any other Elevation \_\_\_\_\_ }  
 :: So is the Amplitude  $AK$  made in the }  $AF$ ,  
 Direction \_\_\_\_\_ }  
 : To the Amplitude in the Direction  $AM$ .

## Canon V.

As the Versed Sine of Double the Elevation  $KAF$ ,  
 : Is to the Versed Sine of Double the Elev.  $KAM$ ;  
 :: So is the Height of the Range in }  $AF$ , viz.  $AE$ .  
 the Direction \_\_\_\_\_ }  
 : To the Height of the Range in }  $AM$ , viz.  $AN$ .  
 the Direction \_\_\_\_\_ }

Canon

*Canon VI.*

As the Sine of the Angle of Elevation — KAF,  
 : Is to the Sine of the Ang. of the Elevation KAM,  
 : : So is the Time of the Projection in — AF,  
 : To the Time of the Projection in — AM.

By these Six *Canons*, all the most useful Part of the Military Art, or the Propositions of Gunnery, so far forth as they come under a *Trigonometrical* Consideration, are readily performed; as will appear by the Operations of the ensuing Propositions.

*Proposition I.*

Admit a Ball be thrown to the perpendicular Height of 909.2 Paces with a given Charge of Powder, how far will the same Charge throw it in the Direction AF, or Elevation of the Angle FAD =  $17^{\circ} 45'$ ? *Quere* also the Height of its Range HI, and greatest Amplitude?

*For the Amplitude, say;*

|                                 |         |        |           |            |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------|-----------|------------|
| As Radius                       | —————   | —————  | —————     | 10.0000000 |
| Is to the Half Perpen. Height = | 454.6   | =      | 2.6576294 |            |
| So is the Sine of the Double?   |         |        |           |            |
| Angle of Elevation — {          | 35° 15' | =      | 9.7612128 |            |
| To a Fourth of the Amplitude    | 262.4   | =      | 2.4188422 |            |
|                                 | 4       |        | —————     |            |
| The whole Ampl. therefore is    | 1049.6  | Paces, | or 1      |            |
| Mile <i>feve</i> .              |         |        |           |            |

*For*

*For the Height of the Range, say ;*

As Radius ————— 10.0000000  
 To the Tang. of the Elevation  $17^{\circ} 45'$  = 9.5052891  
 So is a Fourth of the Amplit. 262.4 = 2.4188422  
 To the Height of the Range } 84 = 1.9241313  
 in Paces —————

*For the greatest Amplitude, say ;*

As the Sine of Double the }  $35^{\circ} 15'$  = 9.7612128  
 Elevation —————  
 Is to the Sine  $90^{\circ}$ , or greatest Sine = 10.0000000  
 So is the Random already found, 1049.6 = 3.0209755  
 To the greatest Rand. or Ampl. 1818. = 3.2597627

### Proposition II.

*Suppose a Shot with a Mortar upon 18 Degrees of Elevation throws a Bomb one Mile, or 1056 Paces ; Quere the Height of the Perpendicular Shot, and the Height of the Range ?*

*For the Height of the Range, say ;*

As the Radius ————— 10.0000000  
 Is to the Tang. of the Elev.  $18^{\circ} 00'$  = 9.5117760  
 So is a Fourth of the given Ran. 264 = 2.4216039  
 To the Height of the Range 85.7 = 1.9333799

*For*

*For the Perpendicular Height.*

As the Sine of the Elevation  $18^{\circ} 00' = 9.4899824$   
 Is to Radius ———  $10.0000000$   
 So is the Height of the Range  $85.7 = 1.9333799$   
 To a Fourth Number ———  $277.5 = 2.4433975$   
 And so is that, to the Per. Height  $898.2 = 2.9534151$

*Proposition III.*

*Suppose a certain Charge of Powder, sufficient to throw a Ball to the Perpendicular Height of 800 Paces, should cast a Ball to the Distance 1260 Paces; Quere the Elevation and Height of the Random?*

*For the Elevation, say;*

As Half the Perpend. Height  $400 = 2.6020600$   
 Is to a Fourth of the given Rand.  $315 = 2.4983105$   
 So is Radius ———  $10.0000000$   
 To the Sine of Double Elev.  $= 51^{\circ} 57' = 9.8962505$

The Half of which is  $25^{\circ} 58'$ ; but that is also the Sine of  $128^{\circ} 3'$ ; the Half of which is  $64^{\circ} 1'$ ; therefore the Elevation may be either  $25^{\circ} 58'$ , or  $61^{\circ} 1'$ , indifferently.

*For the Height of the Random.*

As the Radius ———  $10.0000000$   
 Is to the Tang. of the Elevat.  $25^{\circ} 58' = 9.6875402$   
 So is a Fourth of the given Amp.  $315 = 2.4983105$   
 To the Height of the Random  $153.4 = 2.1858507$   
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If the Height in the Elevation  $64^{\circ} 1'$  be required, say;

As the Versed Sine of Double }  $3836 = 3.5838786$   
 the first Elevation  $51^{\circ} 57'$  }

Is to the Versed Sine of Double }  $16163 = 4.2084914$   
 the second Elevation  $128^{\circ} 3'$  }

So is the Height in the 1st Elevat.  $153.4 = 2.1858507$

To the Height in the 2d Elevat.  $646.3 = 2.8104635$

This might also be found (and that most easily) as the first Height; but I used this Method of Versed Sines for Variety's Sake.

#### Proposition IV.

*Suppose a Shot made upon  $45^{\circ}$  Degrees of Elevation, continues 12 Seconds of Time in the Air; 'tis demanded How long it will continue in the Air when shot from  $75^{\circ}$  Degrees of Elevation?*

Say, As the Sine of the Elevation  $45^{\circ} = 9.8494850$   
 Is to the Sine of the Elevation  $75 = 9.9849438$   
 So is the Time — — —  $12'' = 1.0791812$

To the Continuance in the Air req.  $16''3 = 1.2146390$

*For the Time of the Perpendicular, say;*

As the Sine of the Elevation of  $45^{\circ} = 9.8494850$   
 Is to Radius — — —  $10.0000000$   
 So is the Time — — —  $12'' = 1.0791812$

To the Time of the Perpen. Shot  $16''9 = 1.2296962$

From



- IV. *Place* is the Space taken up by any Body; and is two-fold, absolute or relative.
- V. *Absolute Place* is that Part of the immoveable Space which a Body takes up.
- VI. *Relative Place* is the Situation of a Body in respect of other Bodies, and can only be discerned by our Senses; and is changeable, while absolute Place remains the same; and *e contra*.
- VII. *Absolute Motion* is a Change of absolute Place, and its Celerity is measured by absolute Space.
- VIII. *Relative Motion* is the Change of relative Place, and its Celerity is measured by relative Space.
- IX. *Absolute Rest* is the Permanence of a Body in the same absolute Place.
- X. *Relative Rest* is the Permanence of a Body in the same relative Place.
- XI. The *Direction of Motion* is a right Line, according to which the moving Body tends to any certain Point or Place.
- XII. *Equable Motion* is that which is performed in every Part of Space passed over, with equal or the same Celerity.
- XIII. *Accelerated Motion* is that whose Celerity or Velocity continually increaseth.
- XIV. *Retarded Motion* is that whose Velocity is continually diminished.
- XV. The *Momentum*, or *Momenta*, is the Quantity of Motion, or the Quantities of Motion in moving Bodies compared, which is compounded of the Quantity of Matter and Celerity of Motion, in any Body.
- XVI. A *Power* is any Force impressed, or acting on any Body, to change its State, either of Motion or Rest;

XVII.

XVII. *Gravity* is a Force tending downwards, or whereby Bodies tend towards the Center of the Earth.

XVIII. A *Centripetal* Force, is that whereby any Body endeavours by Gravity to reach some Point, as its proper Center, the contrary, is called the *Centrifugal* Force, receding from the Center.

In the next Place 'twill be necessary for the young Trigonometer to understand the *Laws of Nature* relating to *Motion*, or Bodies freely moving or falling; which Sir *Isaac Newton* has reduced to Three, in his *Principia*; and are as follows.

*Law I.*

Every Body will continue in a State of Rest, or will move uniformly in a right Line, except so far as it is compelled to change its first State by Forces impressed.

*Law II.*

The Change of *Motion* is always proportionable to the moving Forces impressed, and is always made according to the Right Line, in which that Force is impressed.

*Law III.*

*Action* is always equal and contrary to *Re-action*; that is, the Actions of two Bodies on each other are always equal, and in contrary Directions.

These *Laws of Motion*, which all Bodies observe, are illustrated, proved and established, by the above-named great Author in the said Book, and by many other Writers of *mechanical* and *experimental Philosophy*;

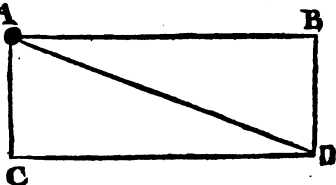
*Iosephy*; which the Reader may consult at his Pleasure.

From these *Axioms* or *Fundamental Laws of Nature*, the following *Corollary* is deduced.

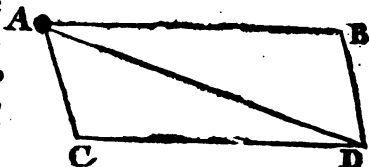
*Corollary.*

Every Body by conjoint Forces, will describe the *Diagonal* of a *Parallelogram* in the same Time, wherein it would do the *Sides* by the *Forces* singly.

Suppose a Body A, with the Force  $M = 8$ , were carried with an uniform Motion from A to B in the Time  $T = 5$ . and in the same Moment



it were urged by the Force  $N = 3$ , from A towards C; it would, by those joint Forces, be borne from A to D in the same Time. For



because the Force  $N$  acts according to the Line  $AC$  parallel to  $BD$ , it will nothing alter the Velocity of approaching to the Line  $BD$  produced by the first Force  $M$ , by *Law II*, it will therefore arrive to the Line  $BD$  in the same Time  $T$ , whether the Force  $N$  acteth on it or not, and will in the End of that Time be found somewhere in the Line  $BD$ . By the like Reasoning, at the End of the said Time it will be found somewhere in the Line  $CD$ ; and therefore of Necessity it will be, in the Point where these two Lines meet, *viz.* in  $D$ , and the Force (thus compounded of the first two  $M$  and  $N$ ) whereby 'tis carried in the Line  $AD$ , will be  $= \sqrt{M + N}$ , or  $\sqrt{89}$   $\approx 9.8$ . For since the Time is the same, the two Forces

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M, N, will be represented by the Sides  $AB = CD$ , and  $AC = BD$ , in the *first Case of a Rectangular Parallelogram*; but  $\sqrt{AB + BD} = \sqrt{AD} = \sqrt{9.8}$  the compound Force.

In the *Second Case*, where the Direction of the Forces are impressed obliquely to each other, on the Body A; it will always hold, as the Sine of the greatest Acute Angle : is to the greater Force (or as the Sine of the lesser Acute Angle : to the lesser Force) : : so the Sine of the Obtuse Angle : to the new compound Force sought. From hence results the Invention of that curious Art.

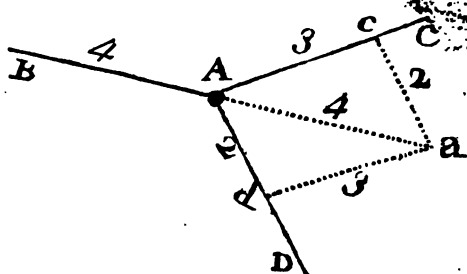
### *Of the Composition and Resolution of Forces and Motion.*

**T**HE *Example* in the preceding *Corollary*, is sufficient to shew, how two direct or oblique Forces AB and AC, are to be reduced to one direct Force AD, and how the Quantity of that Force is to be estimated.

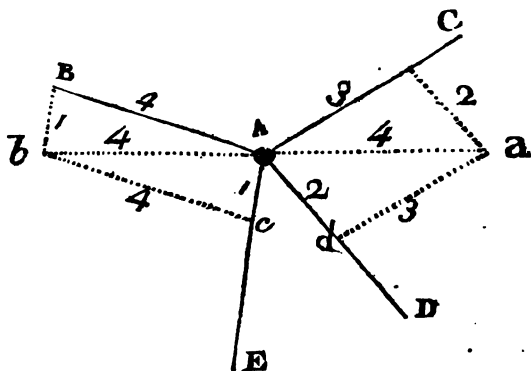
And if any single direct Force AD, of a given Quantity, be proposed; 'tis easy to see how it may be resolved into two Forces AB and AC, that shall act either in right or oblique Directions to each other; and to determine the Quantity of each.

Also, if a Body A be acted upon by three given Powers or Forces B, C, D, that are as the Sides of a Triangle made by Lines parallel to the Directions of the Powers, 'tis from hence evident, that Body will be at Rest.

Suppose



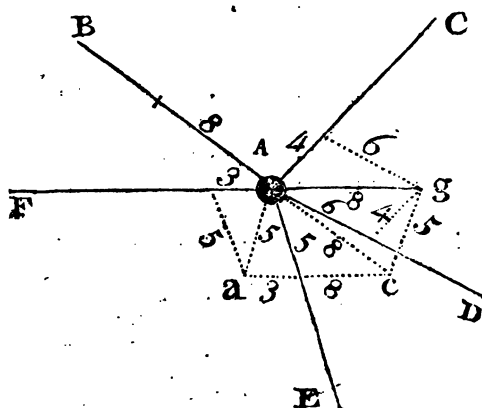
Suppose the Force  $B = 4$ ,  $C = 3$ , and  $D = 2$ ; then because the Forces at  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$  are as the Sides of the Triangle  $Aca$ , or  $Ada$ , 'tis plain the Forces at  $D$  and  $C$  act but as one at  $a$ ; and because that Force is equal and contrary to the Force at  $B$ , the Body  $A$  must be at Rest. Thus 'tis easy to understand how a Body  $A$  may be at Rest, tho' acted upon by four different Powers at once in as many different Directions.



For suppose the Body  $A$  were solicited towards  $E$ ,  $D$ ,  $C$ , and  $B$ , with Forces at  $E = 1$ , at  $D = 2$ , at  $C =$

$C = 3$ , and  $B = 4$ . Having completed the Parallelograms, 'tis manifest the two Powers at D and C are reduced to one at a; and acts in the Direction Aa; also that the Powers at E and B, will act on A jointly in the Direction Ab; but the Powers at a and b are equal and contrary, and therefore the Body A must be at Rest.

Once more, a Body A, tho' acted upon by five different Powers, B, C, D, E, and F, may yet remain in Equilibrium, or be at Rest.



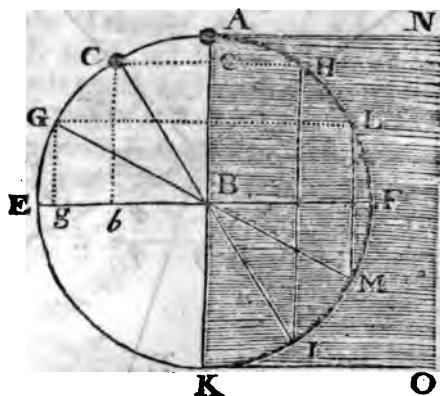
Let the Forces be as follows, at  $B = 8$ , at  $C = 4$ ,  $D = 6$ ,  $E = 5$ , and at  $F = 3$ ; then having drawn the respective Parallelograms, it appears, that the Powers at C, D, are reduced to the Direction Aa; the Powers at E, F, to the Direction Ab; and those two Aa, and Ab, are reduced to the Direction Ac; but this is equal and contrary to the Power and its Direction at B; and therefore the Body A must be at Rest.

And after this manner, it may be shown how the Body A may abide at Rest, tho' attracted by any greater Number of Forces, and in as many Directions.



And now if we suppose the Powers or Forces such as shall determine the Body A, to move in some Direction; if the Powers, and the Directions in which they act on the Body A be given, the Quantity of the Motion of the said Body, and its Direction, may be easily found by Trigonometrical Calculation, as the Reader may try, and afterwards prove it by Experiments.

*The Power, or Forces of Oblique Percussion compar'd.*



**T**HIS is a plain Axiom, that if any Body A be impelled with any given Force, in a perpendicular Direction on the Point B, that it will then strike the said Point B with the greatest Force possible; which suppose of 1000 Parts; then from hence we shall easily compute the Force of the Stroke in any other Direction, obliquely, as in CB for Instance: For let the Force CB be resolved into two other Forces, viz. Cc and cB, which together are equivalent.

lent to the Force CB. But the Force Cc, being parallel to the Plane EF in which is the Point B, can by no means affect it, and therefore not to be considered. The Force cB then, as being perpendicular, can only avail to strike the Point B; now  $cB = Cb$ , the Sine of the Angle of Inclination CBE; therefore the Force of any oblique Percussion is to a Perpendicular Stroke (*ceteris paribus*) as the Sine of the Obliquity or Inclination is to Radius; and the Force of one oblique Stroke CB is to the Force of any other oblique Stroke GB, as the Sine Cb is to the Sine Gg. The Computation of the Quantity of the Force of each Stroke on the Point B, supposing that of AB = 1000, here follows. Let the Angle CBE =  $58^{\circ} 30'$ , and the Angle GBE =  $25^{\circ}$ .

Then say, as Radius ————— 10.0000000  
Is to the Force of the }  
Perpen. Stroke ————— } AB = 1000 = 3.0000000  
So is the Sine of }  
the Angle ————— } CBE =  $58^{\circ} 30'$  = 9.9353204  
To the Force of the }  
Stroke in the Ob- } CB = 861.7 = 2.9353204  
lique Direction ————— }

Then comparing Oblique Forces, say ;

As the Sine of the }  
Angle ————— } CBE =  $58^{\circ} 30'$  = 9.9353204  
Is to the Sine of the }  
Angle ————— } GBE =  $25^{\circ} 00'$  = 9.6259483  
So is the Force of }  
the Stroke in the } CB = 861.7 = 2.9353204  
Direction ————— }  
To the Force of the }  
Stroke in the Di- } GB = 422.6 = 2.6259483  
rection ————— }

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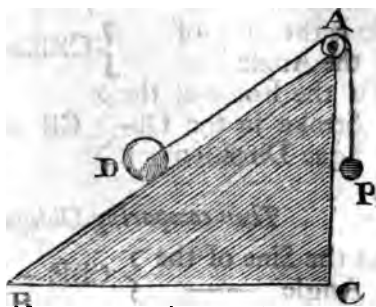
Whence the Forces of the Strokes on the Point B, in the Directions AB, CB, and GB, are in the Proportion of the Numbers 1000, 801.7, and 422.6; or nearly as the Numbers 10, 8, 4.

And such will be the Proportion of a Quantity of Wind or Water ANOK striking against any Plain in a Right Position, as AK, and the Oblique Positions CL, or GM, as is evident by the bare Inspection of the foregoing Scheme; that is, the Sides AK, HL, LM, are as 10, 8, 4, *jere*.

### *Of the Descent of heavy Bodies on inclined Planes.*

#### *Case I.*

**T**HAT is an inclined Plane which makes an Oblique Angle with the Horizon. As the Plane AB, which is inclined to the Horizon BC, in the Oblique Angle ABC; the Length of the Plane is AB, and its Height AC, and its Base BC; which together constitute a Figure of a Right angled Triangle; whence the Calculation of the Motions and Powers of Bodies descending, or abiding an inclined Plane, becomes the immediate Province of the Plain Trigonometer.

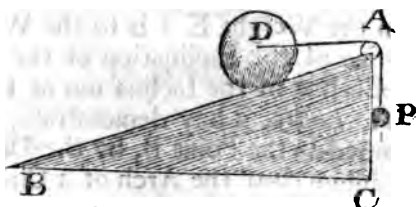


I. By the Writers of Mechanics, 'tis demonstrated, That if any Weight or Body D, be sustained on an inclined

inclined Plane AB, by any Power P, so that it remains Aquilibrio; the Power P : is to the Weight of the Body D, :: as the Sine of the Angle of Inclination AC : is to the Radius AB, in Case the Direction AD be parallel to the Plane.

Case II.

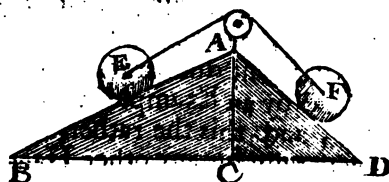
But if the Direction AD be parallel to the Horizon BC, the Proportion will be, as the Power P : to Weight D, :: the Sine of the Inclination AC, : to the Co-sine thereof BC; or :: the Tangent : to the Radius.



II. 'Tis demonstrated, That the Celerity of a Body rolling down an inclined Plane : is to the Celerity of a Body falling perpendicularly, in the same Time, :: as the Sine of the Inclination AC : is to the Radius AB.

III. 'Tis demonstrated, That the Time wherein the inclined Plane AB is passed over : is to the Time in which the Perpendicular is run thro' :: as the Radius AB : to the Sine of the Inclination AC.

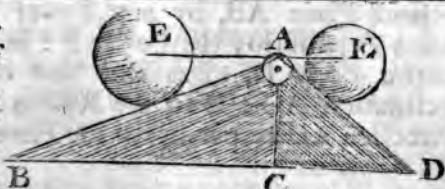
IV. 'Tis demonstrated, That if two Weights E, F, hold each other in Aquilibrio, on two inclined Planes AB and AD,



by a Line whose Direction is parallel to the respective Planes; that then the Weight E : is to the Weight F, :: as the Sine of the Inclination of the Plane ADC : is to the Sine of the Inclination of the Plane ABC.

V.

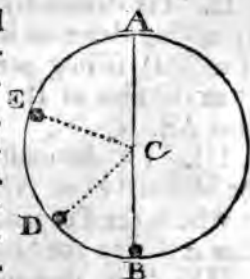
V. 'Tis demon-  
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clined Planes AB and AD, by a Line in a Direction parallel to the Bases BD of the inclined Planes ; that then the Weight E : is to the Weight F :: as the Co-sine of the Inclination of the Plane ABC : is to the Co-sine of the Inclination of the Plane ADC.

VI. *Lastly*, They demonstrate, That the Celerity acquired in the Point B, by the Descent of a Body or Pendulum thro' the Arch of a Circle DB, : is to the Celerity acquired in B, by its descent thro' any other Arch EB, :: as the Sine of  $\frac{1}{2}$  DB : is to the Sine of  $\frac{1}{2}$  EB.

These six foregoing and useful Theorems may be found demonstrated by all the Writers of mechanical Philosophy, as Dr. Keil, Dr. Gravesande, Desaguliers and Hawkebee, Mr. Watts, Motte, &c. which would have been quite besides my Purpose to have transcribed here ; the Part of Calculation only is incumbent upon me,



and that shall discharge, by giving an Instance of the Method by an Example in each of the foregoing Theorems ; and this the rather, as I have not seen it done so generally by any other Hand.

Theorem

Theorem I. exemplified, Case I.

I. *What Power P is sufficient to sustain a Body D weighing 112 Pounds, on a Plane AB inclined to the Horizon BC, in an Angle  $ABC = 37^\circ 30'$  ? say;*

As the Radius ——— 10.0000000  
Is to the Sine of the }  
Inclination ——— }  $ABC = 37^\circ 30' = 9.7844471$   
So is the Weight of }  
the Body ——— }  $D = 112 = 2.0492180$

To the Power to be }  
applied at ——— }  $P = 68\frac{1}{2} = 1.8336651$

Therefore 69 Pound is sufficient to raise the Body  $D = 112$  Pounds on a Plane of that Inclination.

II. *What Weight D, may be sustained by a Power  $P = 99$  Pounds, on a Plane whose Inclination  $AEC = 81^\circ 53'$  ?*

As the Sine of the }  
Inclination ——— }  $ABC = 81^\circ 53' = 9.9956276$   
Is to Radius ——— } 10.0000000  
So is the Power ap- }  
plied at ——— }  $P = 99 = 1.9956352$

To the Weight that }  
will be sustained }  $D = 100 = 2.0000076$

So that when the Inclination is so large, a Weight of 100 lb. will require above 99 lb. to move it.

III. Suppose the Power  $P = 1\frac{1}{2}$  Pound, sustains a Weight  $D = 5$  Hundred Weight, or 560 Pounds, on an inclined Plane, what is the Inclination of that Plane? Say thus;

As the Power applied at —  $P = 1.5 = 0.1760913$   
 Is to the Weight it sustains —  $D = 560 = 2.7481880$   
 So is Radius — — —  $10.0000000$

To the Plane's In- }  $ABC = 2^\circ 8' = 8.5720968$   
 clination — }

Hence a Plane may have an Inclination so very small, that the smallest Power may sustain or move the greatest Weight thereon.

Theorem I. Case II. exemplified.

Let the first Question in the first Case be here resolved, in order to see the Difference. Therefore say;

As Radius — — —  $10.0000000$   
 Is to the Tangent of }  $ABC = 37^\circ 30' = 9.8849805$   
 the Inclination }  
 So is the Body or Weight —  $D = 112 = 2.0492180$

To the Power that will }  $P = 85\frac{1}{2} = 1.9341985$   
 sustain it — — }

So that in this Case there is required  $17\frac{1}{2}$  Pounds more to move the Weight  $D$  than in the former Case.

II. To see the Difference between Case I, and II, in the second Question, say;

As the Tangent of the Inclination }  $ABC = 81^{\circ} 53' = 10.8458261$   
 Is to Radius ————  $10.0000000$   
 So is the Power applied at —  $P = 99 = 1.9956352$   
 To the Body or Weight at  $D = 14\frac{1}{2} = 1.1498091$

Hence it appears, that the Power P will not sustain one seventh Part of its own Weight on that Plane; nor will it support its own Weight if the Inclination be above  $45^{\circ}$ . And therefore a Plane in this second Case, can be useful only in an Inclination under  $45$  Degrees.

III. There is little or no Difference in the Result of the third Question, by this or the former Case; because the Sines and Tangents of very small Arches are nearly equal. When it appears that an inclined Plane is abundantly more useful in the first Case than in the Second.

*Theorem II. exemplified.*

Suppose a Body falling perpendicularly in 5 Seconds of Time, acquire 100 Degrees of Velocity, how many Degrees of Velocity will it acquire in the same Time by descending on an inclined Plane, whose Angle of Inclination is  $30$  Degrees? say;

M m

So



As Radius ———— 10.000000  
 Is to the Sine of the Inclination  $30^\circ = 9.6989700$   
 So the Velocity in the Perpen- } 100 = 2.0000000  
 dicular ————

To the Velocity on the given } 50 = 1.6989700  
 Plane ————

That is just half the Velocity in the Perpendicular.

Thus, if the Velocity on the Plane, and the Inclination be given, the Velocity in the Perpendicular may be found.

Also, if both the Velocities are given, the Inclination of the Plane is thus easily found.

### Theorem III. exemplified.

*Suppose a Body descend thro' an inclined Plane, whose Inclination is  $35^\circ 50'$ , in 16 Seconds of Time, in how many Seconds will it fall from the Perpendicular Height of that Plane? Say thus;*

As Radius ———— 10.000000  
 Is to the Sine of the Inclination }  $35^\circ 50' = 9.7674746$   
 nation ————  
 So is the Time of the Descent in the Plane }  $16^\circ = 1.2041200$

To the Time of Descent }  $9'' \frac{1}{2} = 0.9715946$   
 in the Perpendicular — }

And thus may the two other Cases of this Theorem be solved.

Theorem

Theorem IV. exemplified.

Suppose the Inclinations of the two contiguous Planes AB and AD, were  $ABC = 32^{\circ} 14'$ ; and  $ABC = 43^{\circ} 25'$ ; and it were required to find the Weight of the Body F, which on the Plane AD shall sustain or move the Body E on the Plane AB, weighing 465 Pounds? Say.

As the Sine of the Inclination — }  $ABC = 43^{\circ} 25' = 9.8371456$   
 Is to the Sine of the Inclination — }  $ABC = 32^{\circ} 14' = 9.7270272$   
 So is the Weight of the Body E = 465 = 2.6674529

To the Weight of the Body required — }  $F = 360 = 2.5572345$

And thus for any other of the Cases of this Theorem.

Theorem V. exemplified.

This is but as it were a second Case of the last; and therefore, to see the Difference between them, let the Example there be here again resolved. Saying,

As the Co-sine of the Inclination }  $BAC = 57^{\circ} 46' = 9.9273103$   
 Is to the Co-sine of the Inclination }  $DAC = 46.35 = 9.8611608$   
 So is the Weight of the Body E = 465 = 2.6674529

To the Weight of the Body — — }  $F = 400 = 2.6013034$

Whence it appears, that in this Case 40 Pounds more is necessary, than in the Case of the last *Theorem*, to suspend the Body E in Equilibrio, or to move it. And therefore the Pulley A ought to be placed, both in the single and double inclined Planes, that the Line coming from the Body over it may be parallel to the Plane.

*Theorem VI. exemplified.*

*Suppose the Arch DB = 40°, and the Arch EB = 100°; and that the Pendulum descends from D to B, and thereby does acquire 15 Degrees of Velocity in B; quere, how many Degrees of Velocity it will have in B, by falling thro' the Arch EB? Say thus;*

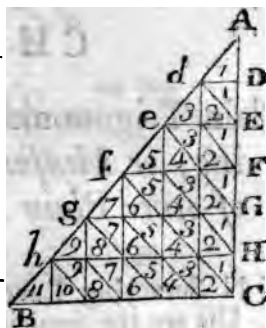
As the Sine of —  $\frac{1}{2}$  DB = 20° = 9.5340517  
 Is to the Sine of —  $\frac{1}{2}$  EB = 50° = 9.8842540  
 So are the Degrees of Velocity acquired by descending thro' — } DB = 15 = 1.1760931

To the Degrees of Velocity acquired by descending thro' — } EB = 33  $\frac{6}{55}$  = 1.5262954

That is, it will now be above twice as swift in B, as before.

*To represent the Times, Velocities, and Spaces passed thro' by falling Bodies, by the Parts of Right-angled Triangle.*

**L**ET A be the Time in which a Body begins to fall, and Let AD be the first Minute, AE the second Minute, AF the third Minute, &c. Then shall the Side Dd be the Velocity acquired at the End of the first Minute, Ee the Velocity at the End of the second Minute, Ff the Velocity at the End of the third Minute, &c. Lastly, The Triangular Area ADD, will represent the Space passed thro' in the first Minute, AEe the Space passed thro' in the second Minute, AFF the Space passed thro' in the third Minute, &c. And thus if AC be six Minutes, the Side CB will be the Velocity, and the Area ACB the Space passed over at the End of the six Minutes.



From hence 'tis evident, that the Velocity of a falling Body is always proportionate to the Time; for as the Time AD : is to the Time AC :: so is the Velocity or Celerity Dd : to the Celerity CB; and therefore the Motion of falling Bodies is a Motion equally accelerated, or equally increased in equal Times.

Hence also the Spaces gone thro' from the Beginning of the Fall are as the Squares of the Times; for the Area ADD, the Space gone thro' in one Minute, : is to the Area ACB, the Space gone thro' at the End of six Minutes :: As the Square of the Time AD : is to the Square of the Time AC; Hence the

the Spaces increase according to the odd Numbers, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, &c. All this is evident from the Nature of a Triangle itself.

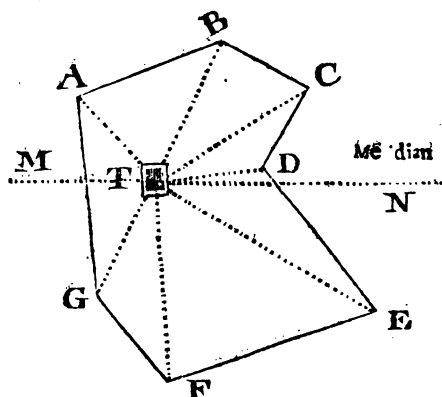
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**Plain Trigonometry applied to Surveying, or Measuring of Land; and also of other Plain Superficies.**

**I**N Surveying Land, the Instruments in common Use are the Semicircle, Plain Table, and Theodolite for taking the Angles, and a Protractor, or Plain Scale, and Compasses for Plotting or Delineating the Dimension of the Field on Paper, in order to reduce it to Triangles, and thereby to find the true superficial Content or Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.

I shall here exhibit some of the best and most usual Methods for taking the Plot of a Field, and then shew how to find its Area; which may be as sufficient for the ingenious young Artift, as some larger Tract wherein abundance is often said to little Purpose; since a Word to the Wife is enough, and there is no making a Silken Purse of a Sow's Ear when a Person has said all he can.

- I. *To take the Plot of a Field at one Station in any Part thereof, whence all the Angles may be seen.*

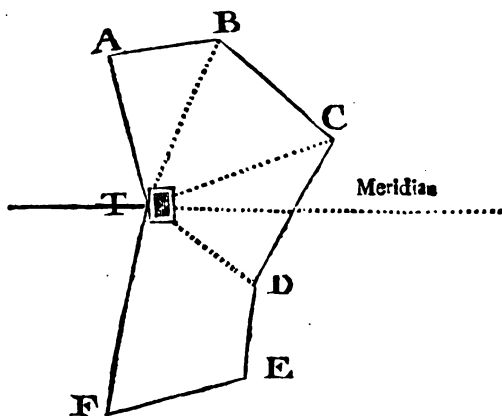


**I**MAGINE ABCDEFG, to be the Field whose Plot you are to take. Having order'd Marks to be set up at each Angle, and chosen a proper Place at T for your Station, there set up your Plane Table (for that is the most usual Instrument and answers the Purpose of a Semicircle or Theodolite) and turn it about till the Needle hang over the Meridian Line of North and South in the Chart of the Compass, there screw it fast on the Ball and Socket. Then direct your Sight to the Angle A, and observe what Degree is cut by the Index on the graduated Edge of the Table, which you'll find to be 45 15. Then measure the Distance from T to A, which is five Chains and 90 Links; which note down in your Field-Book; then proceed doing the like by all the rest, until you have found the Quantity of the Angles, and Distances from your Station T to each Angle respectively, your Work being finished will stand as follows.

The

| The Quantity of the Angles are | Deg. | Min. | Ang. | The Quantity of the Distances from T to the Angles. | Chains | Links |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|
|                                | 45   | 15   | = A  |                                                     | A = 5  | 90    |
|                                | 115  | 15   | = B  |                                                     | B = 7  | 80    |
|                                | 150  | 15   | = C  |                                                     | C = 9  | 40    |
|                                | 178  | 15   | = D  |                                                     | D = 5  | 50    |
|                                | 213  | 30   | = E  |                                                     | E = 13 | 50    |
|                                | 268  | 30   | = F  |                                                     | F = 10 | 70    |
|                                | 302  | 15   | = G  |                                                     | G = 6  | 60    |

II. *To take the Dimension of a Field, at one Station, in any one Angle thereof, whence the others may be seen.*

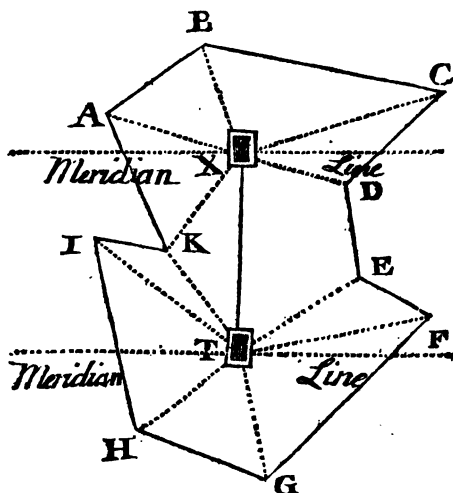


**S**UPPOSE ABCDEFT, the Field whose Plot and Dimensions you are to take; then having chosen your Station at the Angle T, whence you have a plain View of the rest, there set up your Table, adjusting it to the Meridian, and directing your Sight to A, observe the Degrees cut by the Index on the graduated Border, which are  $76^{\circ}$ ; then measure the Distance from T to the Angle A, and you'll find it to be eight Chains; do the like by all the other Angles

Angles and Distances, and entering the Dimensions of thus taken, the Work in your Field-Book will stand thus.

| The Quantity of the Angles stand thus. | Deg. Min. |        | The Distances from the Table to the Angles. | Chains Links |       |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|--------|---------------------------------------------|--------------|-------|
|                                        | A=        | 76 00  |                                             | A=           | 8 00  |
|                                        | B=        | 114 00 |                                             | B=           | 9 50  |
|                                        | C=        | 163 30 |                                             | C=           | 10 40 |
|                                        | D=        | 220 30 |                                             | D=           | 7 00  |
|                                        | E=        | 245 00 |                                             | E=           | 10 20 |
|                                        | F=        | 284 30 |                                             | F=           | 10 80 |

III. *To take the Plot and Dimensions of an irregular Field at two Stations, whence all the Angles may be seen.*



**L**ET the Field be the Figure ABCDEFGHIK, in which having chose your two Stations at T and X, and placed Marks in all the Angles; then in T set up your Plain Table, and adjust the Needle  
N n to



to the Meridian Line; and direct the Sights to all the visible Angles EFGHIK, note down the Quantities of each, and also the Distances thereto, in your Field-Book. This being done, direct your Sights to the second Station at X, and note in your Book, what Angle it makes with the Meridian, and with it set down the Distance between the two Stations T and X.

Then remove your Table to X, and there fix it, with the Needle over the Meridian Line of the Compass; here take the Quantity of the remaining Angles ABCD, and your Distances from X to each of them, and having noted them down in your Field-Book, your Work is finished, and will stand thus.

| The Angles at the first Station. | Deg. Min. |        | The Distances from the Station T to the Angles | Chains Links |       |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------|------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------|
|                                  | E =       | 145 00 |                                                | E =          | 8 30  |
|                                  | F =       | 167 00 |                                                | F =          | 10 20 |
|                                  | G =       | 255 30 |                                                | G =          | 7 00  |
|                                  | H =       | 320 30 |                                                | H =          | 6 90  |
|                                  | I =       | 38 30  |                                                | I =          | 9 70  |
|                                  | K =       | 54 00  |                                                | K =          | 6 60  |

Here the second Station is at Right Angles to the Meridian of the first Station (and whatsoever the Declination of the second Station from the Meridian be, note it down.) The Distance of the two Stations TX is 10 Chains, and 50 Links; the Observations at the second Station stand thus.

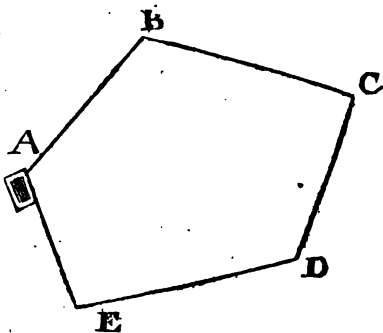
| The Angles. | Deg. Min. |        | The Distances from X to | Chains Links |       |
|-------------|-----------|--------|-------------------------|--------------|-------|
|             | K =       | 309 00 |                         | K =          | 6 50  |
|             | A =       | 15 00  |                         | A =          | 7 50  |
|             | B =       | 69 00  |                         | B =          | 6 00  |
|             | C =       | 116 00 |                         | C =          | 11 20 |
|             | D =       | 196 00 |                         | D =          | 5 80  |

After this Manner you proceed with three or more Stations, when the extraordinary Largeness of

the Plane make more than two Stations necessary, as that of Champain-Fields, large Heaths and Commons.

#### IV. To take the Plot of a Field by going round the same.

**L**ET the Field be represented by the Scheme AB CDE. At the Angle A set up your Instrument, and laying the Index on the Diameter, turn it about till thro' the Sights you see the Angle E; there fix it fast,



and turn the Index about to the Angle B, and observe the Degrees cut thereby, which note in your Book; and then remove your Instrument to B, where do the like, and afterwards at the Angles C, D, and E; and as you go round measure the Sides AB, BC, CD, DE and EA. Which being all orderly set down in your Book, it will stand as follows.

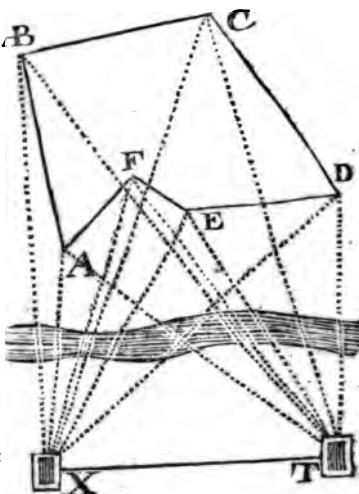
|            |   | Deg. | Min.   |           |    | Chains | Links |
|------------|---|------|--------|-----------|----|--------|-------|
| The Angles | A | =    | 120 30 | The Sides | AB | =      | 9 60  |
|            | B | =    | 113 00 |           | BC | =      | 11 20 |
|            | C | =    | 87 00  |           | CD | =      | 8 70  |
|            | D | =    | 122 30 |           | DE | =      | 11 80 |
|            | E | =    | 97 00  |           | EA | =      | 7 50  |

V. *To take the Plot of a Field. which you cannot approach to, at two Stations.*

**L**ET ABCDEF be a Field situate on the other Side of a River from you, and consequently to which you cannot have Access, and yet you are required to take the Dimensions thereof; in any such case proceed thus.

Chuse any two Stations, T and X, whence you can discern all the Angles of the Field, and set up your Table in T, and take (as before directed) the Quantity of the Angles subtended by each Side of the Field,

by directing the Sights to the Angles A, B, C, D, E, and F, successively, and note them down in your Field-Book; this done, measure with your Chain the Distance to the other Station X; and there set up and fix your Table, and take the Quantity of the Angles at this Station, as before you did at the other, and note them down in your Book also; and thus your Work being done, will stand thus.



The

| The Ang-<br>les from<br>the first<br>Station at<br>T, | { | Deg. Min. |       | The An-<br>gles from<br>the second<br>Station at<br>X, | { | Deg. Min. |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---|-----------|-------|--------------------------------------------------------|---|-----------|-------|
|                                                       |   | A =       | 40 15 |                                                        |   | A =       | 82 30 |
|                                                       |   | B =       | 55 00 |                                                        |   | B =       | 90 00 |
|                                                       |   | C =       | 77 00 |                                                        |   | C =       | 68 30 |
|                                                       |   | D =       | 93 00 |                                                        |   | D =       | 40 30 |
|                                                       |   | E =       | 62 00 |                                                        |   | E =       | 58 00 |
|                                                       |   | F =       | 56 00 |                                                        |   | F =       | 70 00 |

The Distance between the two Stations is 154 Chains.

## VI. *To delineate on Paper the Observations taken according to any of the foregoing Methods, and thereby to form a Plot, or Map of the Field.*

**I**F you measure with the Plain Table, then a Field-Book is needless, because you may very neatly fix a Sheet of white Paper on the Table, by means of the graduated Border, which you take off and put on again with the Paper under it, fast fix'd to the Table; now on this Paper the Meridian Line is first to be drawn, and then by directing your Sights to each of the Angles, you draw the Lines TA, TB, TC, &c. (in the first Method, for Instance) indefinitely, with a Pencil; and on each of which you set off the Distance you measure from the Table thereto, as five Chains and 90 Links from T to A; then seven Chains and 80 Links from T to B, and join the Points AB, so you have plotted one Side of the Field; then set off 9 Chains and 40 Links from T to C, and join the Points BC, and thus you have plotted

plotted two Sides of your Field AB and BC; after the same Manner you proceed to plot off all the other Sides CD, DE, EF, FG, and GA; and thus is the Plot of the whole Field delineated before you go out of it, on the Table itself.

In this Manner a Plot of the Field is delineated on the Plain Table, according to the second Method; and also according to the third Method, by carefully laying off the Distance of the Stations TX, in the due Angle of its Declination from the Meridian; thus also you plot the Sides of the Field in the fourth Method as you go round it. But in the fifth Method there being no Distance measured, you must draw the Lines TA, TB, TC, &c. to a sufficient Length, at the first Station T; and then at the other Station draw the Lines XA, XB, XC, &c. till they intersect the former Lines in the Points A, B, C, &c. then joining those Points of Intersection, you form the Sides AB, BC, CD, &c. and consequently finish the Plot of the Field.

If you survey with another Instrument than the Plain Table, as the Theodolite, Circumferentor, or Semicircle; you must then have your Field-Book, wherein to set down the Dimensions of Sides and Angles, as in the Examples of each of the foregoing Methods.

Then in order to delineate the Plot of the Field, according to those Observations, you must take a clean Sheet of Paper, and on it draw the Meridian Line, as MN, in the first Method. Then take a Protractor, and fix the Center on the Point T, and its Diameter on the Meridian Line MN; then by the graduated Limb of the Protractor, make a Point at each of the Degrees and Minutes marked in your Book, as at  $45^{\circ} 15'$ ,  $115^{\circ} 15'$ ,  $150^{\circ} 15'$ , &c. and thus shall the Points A, B, C, &c. be designed on the

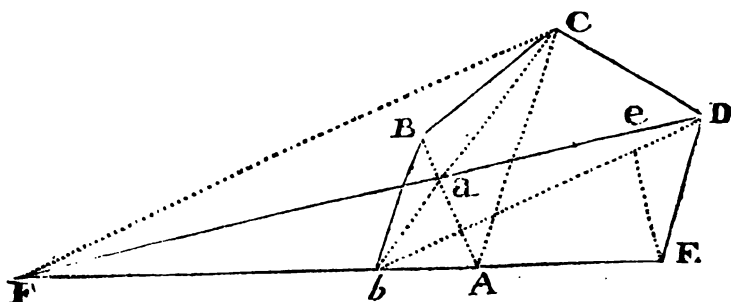
the Paper; having laid off the Quantity of all the Angles under  $180^{\circ}$ , you may either turn the Protractor, and mark out the Points for the Angles between  $180^{\circ}$  and  $360^{\circ}$ ; or you may let the Protractor bide in its first Position, and draw blank Lines below the Diameter, according to the Quantity of the Angles in your Book. Having done this, remove the Protractor, and thro' the Points A, B, C, &c. draw the Lines TA, TB, TC, &c. and on the said Lines lay off the Lengths in Chains and Links, as in the Table, viz. 5 90 from T to A, 7 80 from T to B, &c. on each of the other. *Lastly*, Draw the Lines AB, BC, CD, &c. and thus the Plot or Map of the whole Field is compleated according to the first Method.

And any one who understands the Practice of Plotting of a Field by the Protractor, in the Manner taught in the first Method, will easily do it in any of the other; especially if what is said in Plotting by the Plain Table be well considered.

N. B. That if your Plain Table have not the Compass, or not a good one to be depended on, you cannot make use of a Meridian Line; but instead of that you must lay the Index on the Diameter of the Table, and then turn the Table about till thro' the Sights you spy the Angle A, there fix it fast; and then direct your Sights to the other Angles severally, and measuring to each the Distance from the Station T, you may plot it off as before taught. And indeed this is the most infallible Way, and in which you cannot be well mistaken, unless by any Errors in the Quantity of the Angles and Distances, which ought to be very carefully measured.

# VII. To reduce a Multangular to the Form of a Triangle of equal Area.

**T**O do this readily in Practice, you ought to be provided with a good Parallel Ruler; or in Want of that, it may be expeditiously done by the Geometric. *Prob. VI.* The Method of performing this most useful Proposition is as follows.



Let  $ABCDE$  be the Multangular Figure to be reduced; then, having continued the Side  $EA$  to  $F$ , lay one Side of the Parallel Ruler to the Points  $AC$ , and opening it to the Point  $B$ , draw  $Bb$  parallel to  $AC$ , and cutting  $EF$  in  $b$ . This being done, lay one Side of the Ruler to the Points  $bD$ , and opening it to the Point  $C$ , draw  $Cc$  parallel to  $bD$ , and cutting  $EA$  produced in  $F$ , join  $FD$ ; then shall the Triangle  $EFD$ , be equal to the first Multangular Figure  $ABCDE$ .

For the Triangle  $bAa = aBC$ , therefore the quadrilateral Figure  $bCDE = ABCDE$ ; and because  $bAa = aCD$ ; therefore the Triangle  $EFD = bCDE = ABCDE$ .

*The Base of equal* The  
6 D.

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The Reason and Demonstration of all this is evident by Inspection of the Scheme to any one who understands the Geometrical *Theorems* IXth and Xth at the Beginning of the Book.

VIII. *To find the Area, or Superficial Content of a Field, in Acres, Roods and Perches, or Rods.*

**T**HIS may be done two several Ways; *First*, By reducing the Plot of the Field into a Triangle equal thereto, as taught in the last Proposition. Or, *Secondly*, By dividing or reducing the Plot into several Triangles (when it cannot be conveniently reduced to one) by drawing Diagonal Lines from Angle to Angle.

*Example of the first Method.*

Suppose the Figure (in the Scheme to the last Prop.) ABCDE were the Plot of a Field, whose Content was to be found. In the first Place I reduce it to the equal Triangle EFD; then by the same Plain Scale, by which the Plot was delineated, I measure the Base, or greatest Side DF, and find it to be 73 Chains and 50 Links; and the Perpendicular Height Ee, 13 Chains and 40 Links. Wherefore to find the Area,

O o

Multiply



Multiply the Base 73 Ch. 50 Links = 7350 Links.

By half the Height 6 Ch. 70 Links = 670 Links.

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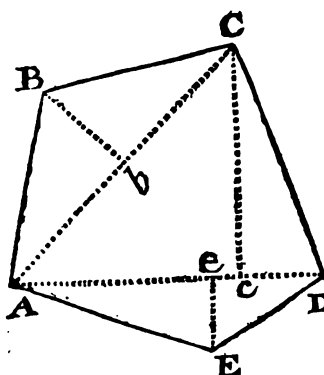
The Product is Acres — 49.24500  
4 Roods = 1 Acre

Roods — 0 980  
40 Perch = 1 Rood

Perches — 3.9207  
Ac. Rds. Per.

The Content then of the Field ABCDE is — 49 : 00 : 3

*An Example of the second Method.*



Let the Figure ABCDE be the Plot of a Field; draw the Diagonals AC and AD; then is the Plot reduced to the three Triangles ABC, ACD, and ADE; let fall the Perpendiculars Bb, Cc, and Ee; now  $AC \times \frac{1}{2} Bb$ , or  $Bb \times \frac{1}{2} AC$  = Area of the Triangle ABC. And  $\frac{Ec \times Cc}{2} \times AD$ , or

$Ec \times Cc \times \frac{1}{2} AD$  = Area of both the Triangles ACD and ADE, to which add the Triangle before found ABC, and you will have the Area in Acres, Roods, and Perches of the whole Field ABCDE.

N. B. The Reason why in the foregoing Operation, there was cut off 5 Figures, to the Right-Hand, of the Product of Links, is because 100000 Square Links

Links is an Acre; and therefore 100000) 4924500  
 (=49.245 Acres, and Decimal Parts. To under-  
 stand how 100000 Square Links is a Square Acre,  
 you must observe, that every Chain is = 4 Rods = 100  
 Links; and that 160 Square Rod = one Square Acre;  
 divide therefore 160, the Square Rod in an Acre, by  
 16, the Square Rods in a Square Chain, the Quo-  
 tient is 10, the Square Chain in an Acre. But every  
 Square Chain =  $100 \times 100 = 10000$  Links, and  $10000 \times$   
 $10 = 100000$  Links, as above.

From what I have delivered in this Chapter, 'tis  
 easy to conceive how the Superficial Content or Area  
 of any Right-lined Figure may be known; the Me-  
 thod being the same, the Dimensions only are to be  
 considered as Rods, Yards, Feet, Inches, &c.

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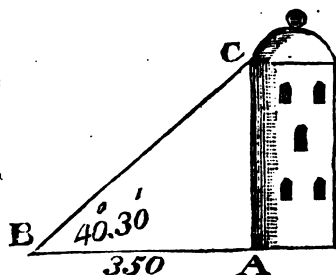
Plain Trigonometry *applied to Altime-*  
*try, and Longimetry; or the Measu-*  
*ring of Heights, Depths, and Distances,*  
*both Accessible and Inaccessible.*

**A** *ltime*try is the Art of measuring the Altitudes  
 or Heights of Objects; whether they be Ac-  
 cessible, or such as we can approach unto, in order  
 to measure from the Foot or Basis of the Objects;  
 or Inaccessible, that is such as we can by no means  
 come at, by reason of Water, or other Impediments.  
 Also the Measuring of Depths is hereby understood  
 and included.

# I. To measure the Altitudes of Objects Accessible.

**S**UPPOSE the Height of the Tower AC, were required; in order to take it, you need only measure some convenient Distance from the Basis thereof, as from A to B, which suppose to be 350 Feet; then at B take with a Quadrant, or other graduated Instrument, the Angle ABC, subtended by the Height AC. Hence you have given the Side or Base AB, and the Angles, in the Right-angled Triangle ABC, to find the Perpendicular, or Height of the Tower AC.

*Suppose then the Angle at B were found by Observation to be  $40^{\circ} 30'$ . Then by Case I. of Right Triangles, say;*



As Radius ———— 10.0000000  
Is to the Side or Distance  $AB = 350 = 2.5440680$   
So the Tangent of the }  $ABC = 40^{\circ} 30' = 9.9314989$   
Angle ————

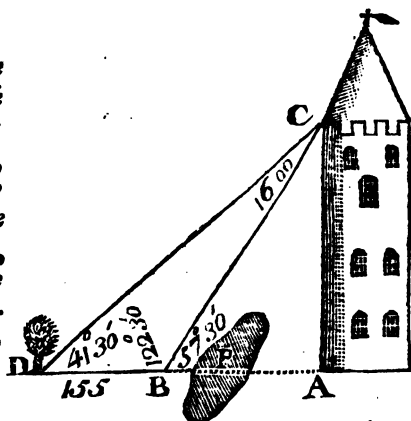
To the Perpend. or }  
Height of the Tower }  $AC = 298.9 = 2.4755669$   
er, as required

Thus also you may find the Distance of your Eye from the Top of the Tower, or the Visual Line BC.

II. To

## II. To measure the Altitudes of Objects inaccessible, which stand on the Horizon.

Suppose AC to be the Object, whose Altitude or Height you would know, but cannot approach near it, to measure from the Foot of it, by reason of a large Lake or Pond P intercepting all Access.



**I**N such Cases, proceed thus; measure from D to B, which suppose you find to be 155 Feet. Then at B take the Quantity of the Angle ABC, suppose  $57^{\circ} 30'$ ; also take the Angle ADC, suppose you find it  $41^{\circ} 30'$ . Then you will have given, in the Oblique Triangle BDC, the Side BD, and the Angles; and therefore by *Case I.* of Oblique Triangles, you will find the Side BC to be 372.8 Feet, thus;

As the Sine of the Angle BCD =  $16^{\circ} 00' = 9.4403381$   
 Is to the Side ——— BD = 155 = 2.1903317  
 So is the Sine of the Angle BDC =  $41^{\circ} 30' = 9.8212646$

To the Side ——— BC = 372.8 = 2.5712582

Then

Then in the Right-angled Triangle ABC, there is known the Angles, and the Side or Hypotenuse BC; whence by *Case III*, there will be found the Perpendicular AC, or Height of the Tower thus;

As Radius ———— 10.0000000

Is to the Side or Hypo- } BC = 372.8 = 2.5712582  
thenuse ————

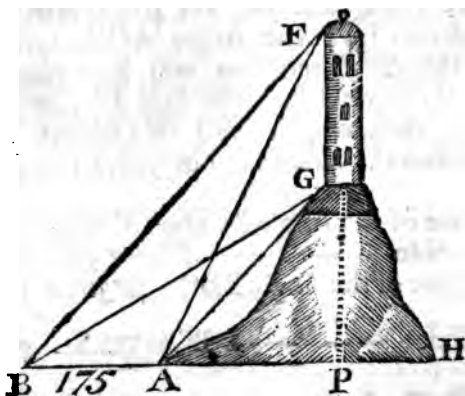
So is the Sine of the } ABC = 57° 30' = 9.9260292  
Angle ————

To the Altitude of the } AC = 314.2 = 2.4972874  
Tower ————

And now also the Distance BA may be found.

### III. To measure Altitudes of Objects inaccessible, and situated above the Horizon, as on a Hill, &c.

Let FG (in the following Figure) be the Inaccessible Object, situated on the Top of the Hill AGH, whose Height is required to be found at the Place B; to find which proceed thus;

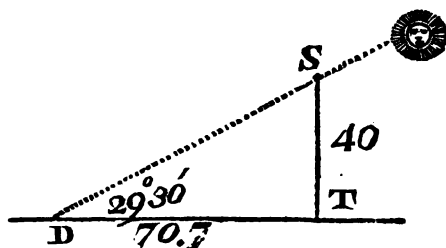


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At B take the Angle ABF and ABG, and suppose you find the first  $47^{\circ} 45'$ , and the latter  $30^{\circ} 30'$ ; then measure the Distance from B to A, which let be 175 Feet. *Lastly*, At A let there be taken the Angle PAF= $62^{\circ} 30'$  suppose, and the Angle PAG= $46^{\circ} 30'$ . Then 'tis evident there are two Oblique Triangles ABG, and ABF by this means constituted; in each of which there is given all the Angles and the common Side BA.

From whence, in the first Triangle, there may be found the Side AF; as in the last Example. Then in the Right-angled Triangle PAF, there is known the Angles, and the Hypothenuse AF, whence the Distance AP, and Height of both Hill and Tower together PF, may be found by *Case III*. Then in the Right-angled Triangle APG, there is known the Side AP, and all the Angles; whence by *Case I* we can find the Height of the Hill PG; which subtracted from the Altitude of both Tower and Hill (before found) PF, and there will remain GF, the Height of the Tower sought. All this is so clear; as to make Examples, for every Step, unnecessary.

IV. To take the *Altitude of the Sun* by  
the *Shadow of a Staff*.



**L**ET ST be a Staff of 40 Inches length, erected precisely on the Plain Superficies DT, the Sun shining thereon; observe how far the Shadow thereof is projected, suppose from T to D 70.7 Inches; then in the Right-angled Triangle DTS, (made by the Staff ST, the Shadow TD, and the Solar Ray SD,) there is known the Perpendicular ST, and the Base TD, to find the Angle at Base TDS, by *Case IV*, thus;

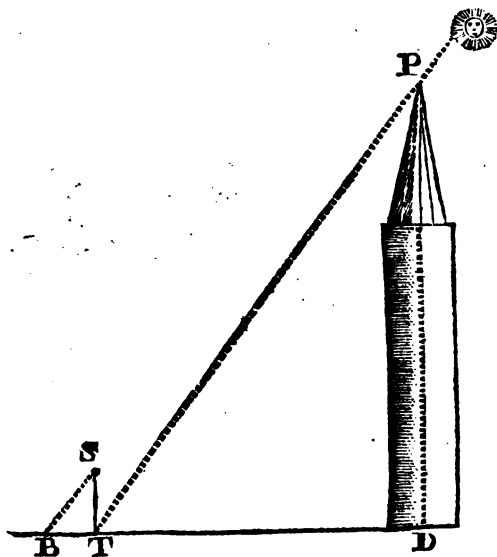
As the Base, or Shadow,  $DT=70.7=1.8494180$   
Is to the Height of the Staff  $TS=40=1.6020600$   
So is Radius  $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} 10.0000000$

To the Height of the Sun  $TDS=29^{\circ} 30' = 9.7526420$

And thus may the Sun's Altitude above the Horizon be found at any time very easy and readily.

V. *By knowing the Length of the Shadow of any Object, to determine its Height.*

LET P be the Pinnacle of any Tower, or the Summit of any Object, and let its Shadow be projected to T, in the very Extremity of the Shadow T, set a Staff, as ST, truly upright, and ob-



serve the Length of its Shadow TB. Now the Triangles BST and TPD being similar to each other, it will be  $BT : ST :: TD : DP$ . But the three first Terms are known, and therefore the fourth DP, the Height of the Object, will also be known.

*Longimetry.*

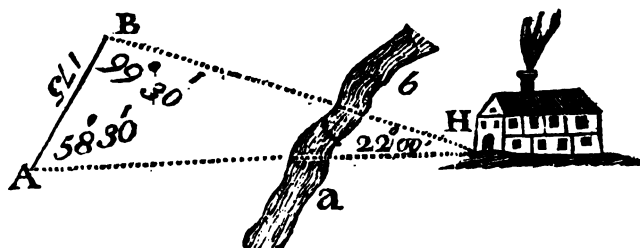
*Longimetry* is the Application of *Plain Trigonometry* to the Mensuration of the Distances of remote  
P p Objects



Objects; and those likewise are such, some of which admit of Access, and some will not; yet both Sorts are equally within the Reach or Limits of this excellent Art.

**I. To measure the Distance of any remote Object, Accessible or Inaccessible, at two Stations.**

Suppose a Person at A were desirous to know the Distance of the House at H beyond the River a b; the Method for finding it is thus;



**A**T any convenient Distance from the Place A, let there be set up some Mark, as at B; then with a proper Instrument at A, find the Quantity of the Angle HAB =  $58^{\circ} 30'$  suppose; then measure the Distance from A the first Station, to B the second, which let be 175 yards. *Lastly*, At B let the Angle ABH be taken, suppose  $99^{\circ} 30'$ . Then you have constituted the Oblique-angled Triangle HAH, wherein there is given all the Angles, and the Side AB, to find the Side AH, as also the Side BA; by Case I, of Oblique Triangles, thus;

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As the Sine of the Angle  $AHB = 22^\circ 00' = 9.5735754$   
 Is to the Side  $AB = 175 = 2.2430380$

So is the Sine of the Angle  $ABH = 99^\circ 30' = 9.9940027$

To the Distance  $AH = 450.2 = 2.6534653$

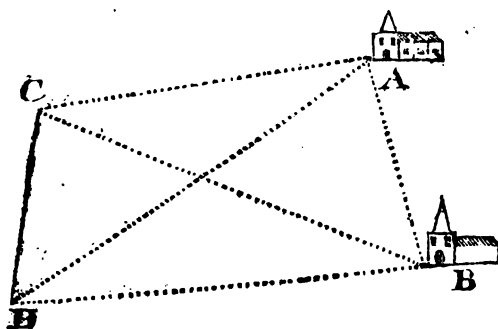
So also is the Sine of the Angle  $BAH = 58^\circ 30' = 9.9307653$

To the Distance  $BH = 398.3 = 2.6002284$

Hence it appears the House 450 Yards, or somewhat  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a Mile from the first Station at A; and 398 Yards from the second Station at B.

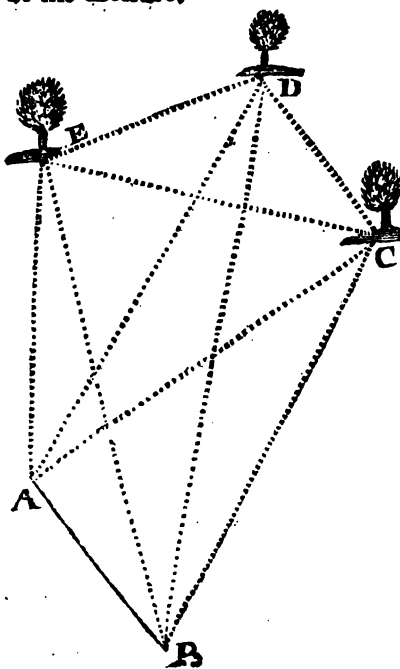
## II. To take the Distance between two, three, or more remote Objects as Ships on the Sea, Towers or Spires in a City.

Suppose it be required to find the Distance between the two remote Objects A and B; and likewise how far they are from you at C or D. Proceed in this Manner;



**A**T D let there be taken the Angles  $BDC = 76^\circ 30'$ ; and  $ADC = 50^\circ 30'$ . Then measure the Distance from your Station at D to some other, as C, which let be 200 Yards; then at C, take the Angles  $ACD = 107^\circ 30'$ , and  $BCD = 77^\circ 00'$ .

By this Means you have formed two Oblique Triangles, ADC and BDC, in each of which there are given all Angles, the common Side DC; when by *Case I.* there will be found the Sides CA and DA, the Distances of the Object A from the Stations D and C; likewise there may be found the Sides CB and DB, the Distances of the Object B from each Station. Then in the Triangle ACB or ADB, there are given two Sides, and the Angle included between them to find the third Side AB, the Distance of the Objects from each other, by *Case III.* of Oblique Triangles; and according to what is given the young Learner, may calculate the said Distances in Yards at his Leisure.



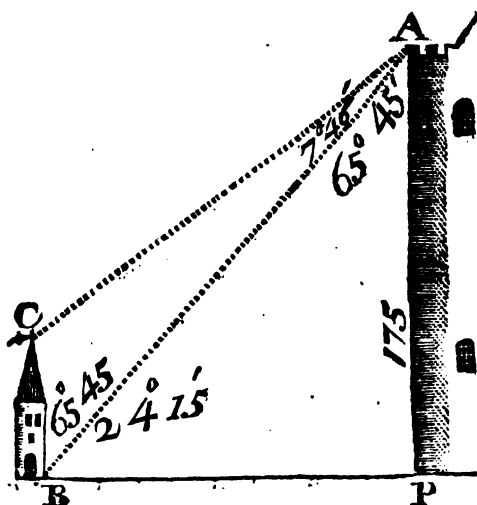
Again, suppose the Distance of three Objects, C, D, E, were required from each other, and from the two Stations AB. Now these may all be found as before; for by your Instruments, and measuring the Side AB, have obtain'd all the Angles and a Side AB in the Oblique Triangles ACB, ADB, AEB; whence the other Sides in each may be found as before; and therefore we shall have in the  
Oblique

Oblique Triangles EAC, DAC, EAD, two Sides, and an Angle included, given, to find the third Side in each, viz. EC, DC, and ED, the Distances of the Objects from each other respectively.

And thus may the Distances of many remote Objects be taken by a good Instrument in taking and plotting the Angles and Sides.

*III. Being on the Top of a House, Tower, or other high Object, to find from thence the Altitudes, Depths, and Distances of Objects on the Horizon,*

*Suppose from the Top of the Tower PA, whose Height is known, you behold at a Distance the Object BC, whose Distance PB, and Height BC you would.*



I. With

**I. WITH** a Semicircle take the Angle  $PAB = 65^\circ 45'$  suppose, and let the Altitude of the Tower  $PA = 175$  Feet; then in the Right-angled Triangle  $ABP$ , there are given all the Angles and the Perpendicular  $PA$ , to find the Base  $BP$  and Hypothenufe  $AB$ , by *Case II.* thus;

As the Sine of the Angle  $ABP = 24^\circ 15' = 9.6135446$   
 Is to the Height of the Tower  $PA = 175 = 2.2430380$   
 So is the Sine of the Angle  $BAP = 65^\circ 45' = 9.9598815$

To the Distance of the Object  $PB = 388.5 = 2.5893749$

And so is Radius, to the }  $BA = 426 = 2.6294834$   
 Hypothenufe ——— }

**II.** Then for the Height  $BC$ , let the Angle  $PAC$  be taken, which suppose  $73^\circ 31'$ . Then in the Oblique-angled Triangle  $BAC$ , there is given the Side  $BA$ , and all the Angles (for the Angle  $ABC = BAP$ , because the Lines  $PA$  and  $BC$  are parallel; and the Angle  $BAC$  is the Difference of the Angles  $PAB$  and  $PAC$ , both known by Observation.) Therefore on the Gunter, say; as the Sine of  $73^\circ 31'$  (the Complement of  $BCA = 106^\circ 29'$  to  $180$ ) : Is to the Sine of  $BAC = 7^\circ 46'$  :: So is the Side  $BA = 426$  : to the Side  $BC = 60$  Feet, the Height of the Object which was required.

Thus if the Distance of any Object  $BC$  were first known, the Height or Altitude of any Object, on which you stand, as  $PA$ , may in the same Manner be found.

These are all the Principal Methods of finding the Altitudes, Distances, &c. of distant Objects; I know

know there are some other Methods of performing these Matters, such as they are, which I do not think worth while to trouble the Genuine Artist withal; the Deductions of his own Knowledge will readily supply him with all the Methods of Expedition, when Exactness is not required; And as the Purposes here treated of are very common, and of great Concern in Life, it evidently appears how wise and necessary an Art *Plain Trigonometry* is, by which they are all performed.



## CHAP. IX.

*Plain Trigonometry applied to Optics, in its two Branches of Catoptrics and Dioptrics; shewing how to calculate the Course, Position, Focus, or Point of Convergence, &c. of Rays of Light after Reflection and Refraction, made by passing thro' different Mediums.*

**O**PTICS is that curious Science which treats of the Nature and Phænomena of Lights and Colours, and of the Nature and Manner of Sight or Vision; and how it is effected by the surprising Construction and Mechanism of the Eye. This Science is the Subject of no small Part of Natural Philosophy and the Mathematicks; it is divided into two principal Parts, *viz.*

*Catoptrics*, which treats of Light reflected from the Surfaces of Bodies, and explains the Laws and Properties

**Properties of Reflection.** This is very diverting as well as useful Part of Knowledge; and hereby those crafty Knaves whom the Ignorant call Cunning Men, or Conjurers, have been supplied with the most falacious Artifices to deceive the wondering, ignorant vulgar; who generally thought the surprising Phænomena of this Art were the Effects of Divination.

*Dioptrics*, which treats of refracted Light, or the Manner how a Ray of Light passes thro' different Mediums, as Air, Water, Glass, &c. and the Degrees of Refraction it suffers thereby. Here follows Sir *Isaac Newton's* Definitions and Axioms relating to the Particulars of this Science, as they stand in the first Pages of his excellent Treatise of *Optics*.

*Definition I.*

By the Rays of Light, says he, I understand is least Parts; and those as well successive in the same Line, as contemporary in several others.

*Definition II.*

Refrangibility of the Rays of Light, is their Disposition to be refracted or turned out of their Way, in passing out of one transparent Body, or Medium, into another; and a greater or less Refrangibility of Rays is their Disposition to be turned more or less out of their way in like Incidences on the same Medium.

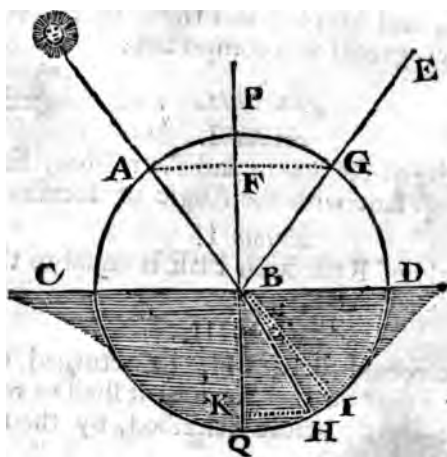
*Definition III.*

Reflexibility of Rays is their Disposition to be reflected or turned back into the same Medium, from any other Medium upon whose Surface they fall. And Rays are more or less reflexible, which are turned back more or less easily.

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*Definition IV.*

The Angle of Incidence, is that Angle which the Line described by the incident Ray AB, contains with the Perpendicular PB, to the reflecting or refracting Surface CD, at the Point of Incidence B, *viz.* the Angle ABP: See the following Scheme.



*Definition V.*

The Angle of Reflection (*viz.* PBE) or Refraction (*viz.* HBQ) is the Angle which the Line described by the reflected Ray BF, or refracted Ray BH, containeth with the Perpendicular PQ, to the reflecting or refracting Surface CD, at the Point of Incidence B.

*Definition VI.*

The Sines of Incidence AF, Reflection GF, and Refraction KH, are the Sines of the Angles of Incidence, Reflection, and Refraction.



*Definition VII.*

The Light whose Rays are all alike refrangible, I call simple, homogeneous, and similar; and that whose Rays are some more refrangible than others, I call compound, heterogeneous, and dissimilar.

*Definition VIII.*

The Colours of homogeneous Light, I call primary, homogeneous, and simple; and those of heterogeneous Lights, heterogeneous and compound.

*Axioms.**Axiom I.*

The Angles of Reflexion and Refraction, lie in one and the same Plane with the Angle of Incidence.

*Axiom II.*

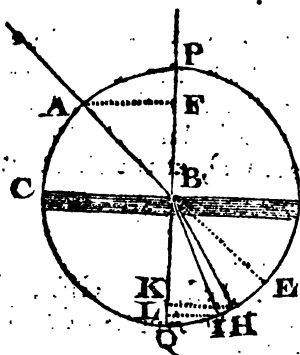
The Angle of Reflection PBE is equal to the Angle of Incidence ABP.

*Axiom III.*

If the refracted Ray BH, be returned directly back to the Point of Incidence B, it shall be refracted into the Line AB, before described, by the incident Ray.

*Axiom IV.*

Refraction out of a rarer Medium into a Denser, is made towards the Perpendicular; that is, so that the Angle of Refraction is less than the Angle of Incidence.

*Axiom V.*

The Sine of Incidence is either accurately, or very nearly in a given Ratio, to the Sine of Refraction. Whence if that Proportion be known in any one Incidence, it is known in all others, for that Body and Medium. It

It is found by Experiments, that if the Refraction be made out of Air into Water, the Sine of Incidence is to Sine of Refraction, as 4 to 3. Wherefore if CD be the Surface of stagnating Water, and B the Point of Incidence in which any Ray coming in the Air from any Point A in the Line AC, it will be refracted out of its direct Course BE, into some other BH, making the Angle of Refraction HBQ, whose Sine KH : AF :: 3 : 4.

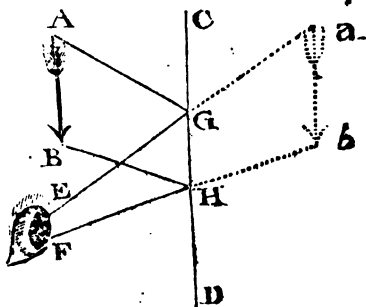
If CD be a Superficies of Glass, the Ratio of the Sine of Incidence, to the Sine of Refraction in Glass, is found by Experiments to be as 17 to 11 ; therefore the Incident Ray AC shall be refracted from its direct Course BE, to some other BI, constituting the Angle of Refraction IBQ, whose Sine LI : AF :: 11 : 17.

These Things premised, I shall proceed to the ensuing Propositions of *Catoptrics* and *Dioptrics*, which tho' they are common, may yet be somewhat serviceable to initiate the young Tyro in those kind of Speculations.

## PROPOSITION I.

*To exhibit the reflected Rays of Light from any Plane Surface ; and the apparent or visible Place of the Object.*

**L**ET CD be the reflecting Surface, and AB the Object at a Distance therefrom ; also let AG and BH, be two Rays of Light proceeding from the Extremities of the Object, and fall on the Points G and H : Now



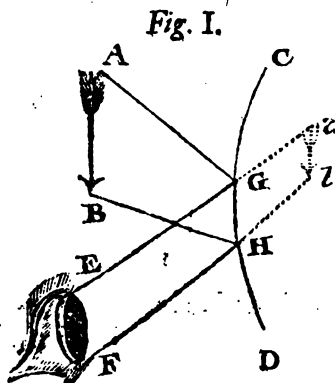
in order to find the Course of those Rays after Reflection ;

flexion; make the Angle  $DGE =$  the Angle  $AGC$ ; then shall the reflected Ray describe the Line  $GE$ , by *Axiom II*. After the same Manner it will be found, that the other Ray  $BH$  will be reflected in the Line  $HF$ ; continue out  $EG$  to  $a$ , and  $FH$  to  $b$ , so that it may be  $Ga = GA$ , and  $Hb = HB$ : Then shall  $ab$  be the Spectrum or Image of the Object  $AB$ , in its apparent Place; which will be always equally distant, and similarly situated behind or beyond the reflecting Surface  $CD$ , as the Object is before it.

- Suppose  $CD$  a common Looking-Glass; then from hence 'tis evident the Object  $AB$  being reflected in the Lines  $GEHF$ , to the Eye at  $EF$ , will have the same Effect on the Eye, as if the Object were really at  $ab$  behind the Glass, where it will therefore of Consequence appear to the Beholder. And thus the whole Theory of the Phænomena of a Looking-Glass, or Speculum is plain to be understood.

## P R O P. II.

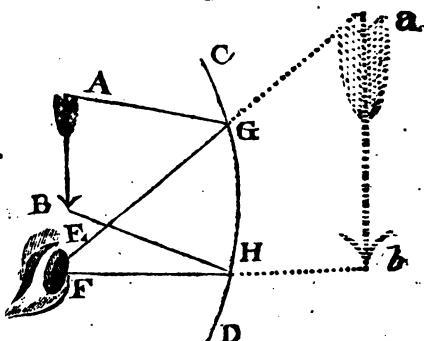
*To exhibit the Rays of Light reflected from spherical Surfaces, either Convex or Concave; and the apparent Place of the Object.*



SUPPOSE  $CD$  be any reflecting Surface, either Convex, as in *Fig. I.* or Concave, as in *Fig. II.* and let  $AB$  be the Object; and  $AG, BH$ , the Rays of Light coming from the Object and falling on the Surface  $CD$ . Let the Angles  $DHF$ , and  $DGE$  be made equal to the Angles  $CHB$  and  $CGA$ ; then shall the reflected

reflected Rays describe the Lines GE and HF; continue those Lines beyond the Surface CD to a and b; and there will the Image of the Object be represented to the View. The different Properties of those three Sorts of Speculums, viz. Plane, Convex

Fig. II.

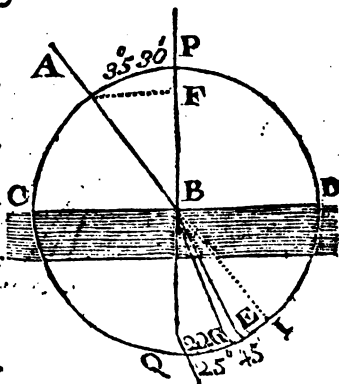


and Concave, are chiefly these which follow; the Plane Speculum presents the Thing in its due Situation, Distance, and Magnitude; the Convex or Gibbous Speculum exhibits the Object much nearer and much less than the Plane one; and Lastly, The Concave Speculum vastly encreases the Bulk, and pretty much the Distance of the Objects. There are abundance of other curious Phænomena of these Glasses to be met with in Books on this Subject.

### P R O P. III.

*The Angle of Incidence being given, to find the Angles of Refraction from Air into Water or Glass.*

**S**UPPOSE the Incident Ray AB be inclined to the Perpendicular PB in an Angle of  $35^{\circ} 30'$ , *Quere*, what Quantity the Angle of Refraction must be, in a Medium of Water?



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*By the Sliding Rule, say;*

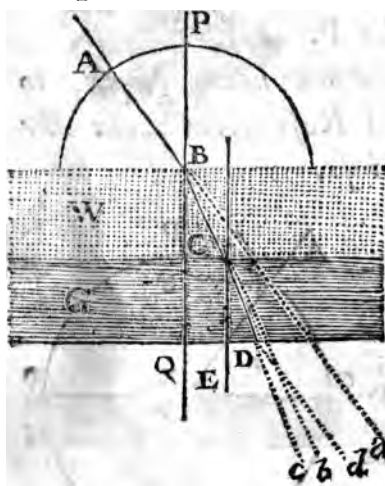
As 4 on the Line of Numbers is to  $35^{\circ} 30'$  on the Line of Sines; so is 3 on the Line of Numbers to about  $25^{\circ} 45'$  on the Line of Sines; in such an Incidence the Angle of Refraction in Water is thus found to be  $25^{\circ} 45' =$  the Arch QE.

*To find the Quantity of the same Angle in a Medium of Glass, say by the Rule;*

As 17 on the Line of Numbers :  $35^{\circ} 30'$  on the Line of Sines; :: So is 11 on the Line of Numbers : to  $22^{\circ}$  on the Line of Sines. The Angle therefore of Refraction will, in a Substance of Glass, be about  $22^{\circ}$  in such an Incidence.

#### P R O P. IV.

*The Angle of Incidence being given, to trace the refracted Ray thro' a Medium of Water, and then of Glass, contiguous to each other.*



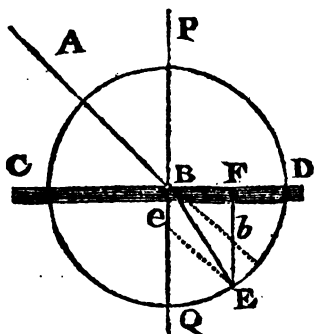
LET AB be a Ray of Light passing thro' the Air from A to B, whose Inclination to the Perpendicular PQ, is the Angle of Incidence  $ABP = 35^{\circ} 30'$  suppose; at B it impinges on the Body or Medium of Water W, and, by the last Prop. it appeared, that a Ray of Light inclined to the Perpendicular in an Angle of  $35^{\circ}$

35° 30' in Air, it would be inclined thereto in passing a Medium of Water in an Angle of 25° 45', make therefore the Angle  $CBQ = 25^\circ 45'$ , 2nd BC shall be its Path thro' the Medium of Water. At C let it meet with the Surface of a Medium of Glass G; now by the last Prop. it appears also, that in the afore-said Inclination in Air, the Inclination in Glass will be 22°; wherefore make  $DCE = 22^\circ$ , and CD shall be the Path of the Ray thro' the Medium of Glass. Whence we observe, that the Ray AB is diverted from its direct Course in the Air, which tended to  $a$  in the Line Aa, and by the Medium of Water is refracted or bent into the Course Bb, in which Aqueous Path it would have persisted, had it not been interrupted by the Glassy Surface at C; by this more dense Medium of Glass it became refringed, or again bent into the Direction Cc, in which it proceeds till meeting again with the Air at D, is refracted into the Line Dd parallel to its first Direction Aa.

N. B. The Refraction in Glass out of Water immediately may be thus discovered. Let the Sine of Incidence in the Air be called I, the Refraction in Water R, and the Refraction in Glass r: Then because  $I : R :: 4 : 3$ , and  $I : r :: 17 : 11$ ; it will be  $3I = 4R$ , and  $11I = 17r$ ; consequently it will be as  $3 : 11 :: 4R : 17r$ ; therefore  $44R = 51r$ , whence  $R : r :: 51 : 44$ ; that is, the Sine of Incidence : is to the Sine of Refraction, out of Water into Glass : : as 51 : to 44. Q. E. I.

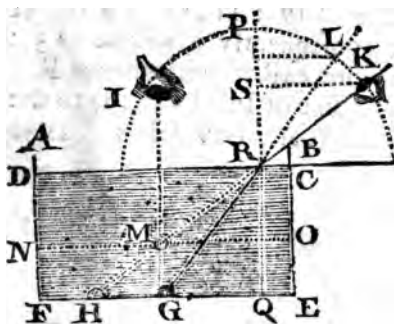
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PROP. V.



In the Scheme adjoined, let AB be the Incident Ray of Light, and BE the same Ray refracted from its direct Course Ab, draw FE parallel to the Perpendicular PQ, and draw Ee parallel to Bb. I say,  $BE : Bb$  or  $Ee :: \text{Sine of the Incidence} : \text{Sine of the Refraction}$ . For the Angle of Incidence  $ABP = BbE = FFe = EeQ$ , by Parallel Lines. And the Angle of Refraction  $QBE = BEF$ ; but in the Oblique Triangle BbE or BEe, the Sides are as the Sines of their opposite Angles; consequently the Side BE is to the Side Bb or Ee, as the Sine of the Angle BbE or BbF, is to the Sine of the Angle BEF = EBQ; that is, as the Sine of Incidence to the Sine of Refraction.

PROP. VI.



Let ABEF be any Vessel, on the Bottom of which (when empty) let there be laid any Object, as half a Crown, at G; and let it be required to find the Place (called the Focus) of its visible Appearance by Refraction, when the Vessel is filled with Water to the Height DC; suppose GR a Ray of Light proceeding from the Object G to

G to the Surface of the Water at R, and is refracted into the Air; let fall the Perpendicular PQ and make as  $PL : SK :: 3 : 4$ , draw KH, then shall H be the visible Place of the Object, which may now be seen by an Eye at K, but could not before by much. Wherefore by the Refraction of Water the Bottoms of all Vessels appear projected at a Distance beyond their Real Place, as that Point of the Bottom G is projected to H; and it will thereby appear elevated also, or to rise up nearer the Eye, as the Point G will appear in the Perpendicular IG to be elevated to the Point M, to an Eye in I; and 'tis plain the Object G must be lifted up to the Point M, in order to be seen by the Eye at K, was there no Water in the Vessel.

Hence the Focus, or visible Place of the Object G to an Eye at K, will be in the Point H; and to an Eye in I, in the Point M; and the Bottom FE will appear elevated to the Height NO, and the visible Depth of the Water will be DN or CO. These Particulars may appear as so many Paradoxes, but are most easily proved by Experiment.

### P R O P. VII.

*To shew the Trigonometrical Calculation of the Difference between the True Place G, and the apparent or visible Place H or M (viz. the Quantity of GH and GM,) of any Object by Refraction.*

**L**ET the Quantity of the Angle of Incidence out of Water into the Air GRQ, be  $38^{\circ} 00'$ ; then shall the Angle  $HRQ = KRP$  be  $55^{\circ} 00'$ , or thereabouts; also let the Depth of the RQ be 2 Foot, or 24 Inches.

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*Then say by the Gunter;*

As Radius : to the Tangent of  $38^\circ$ , on the Tangent-Line;

$\therefore$  So is  $RQ = 24$  Inches : to about  $18\frac{1}{4} = GQ$ , on the Line of Numbers.

*Then say again,*

As the Radius : to the Tangent of  $55^\circ$

$\therefore$  So is  $RQ = 24$  : to  $34\frac{1}{2}$  Inches  $= QH$ .

Then  $QH - QG = GH = 15\frac{1}{4}$  Inches.

Again, in the Right-angled Triangle  $HGM$ , there is known the Side  $GH$  (last found)  $= 15\frac{1}{4}$  Inches; and the Angles, to find  $GM$ .

*Say by the Gunter,*

As Radius : to the Tangent of  $GHM = 35^\circ$

$\therefore$  So is  $GH = 15\frac{1}{4}$  : to  $GM = 11$  Inches, nearly.

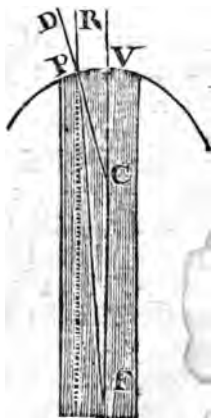
Whence the Eye at  $K$  will be deceived about  $15\frac{1}{4}$  Inches, and that at  $I$  about  $11$  Inches; so that the greater the Obliquity of Sight, the greater is the Deception.

### P R O P. VIII.

*Rays coming out of Air, and falling on a Convex Glass Superficies, in a Parallel Position to, and very near the Axis, converge in a Focal Point F, which will be distant from the Vertex V very near three Semidiameters of the Sphere.*

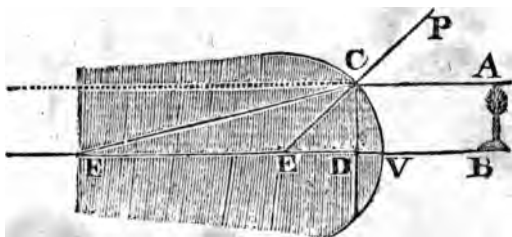
**N**OW because the Refraction in Glass out of Air, is as  $17 : 11$ , or as  $3 : 2$  very nearly; therefore take  $FV : FC :: \text{Sine of Incidence} : \text{Sine of Refraction}$ , that is, as  $3 : 2$  then shall  $F$  be the Focus, to which a Ray  $R$  parallel to, and near the Perpendicular, will converge. For  $PF : FC :: \text{Sine of } FCP = \text{Sine of } PCV = RDP$  the Angle of Incidence : the

: the Sine of FPC the Angle of Refraction; But  $FP : FC :: FV : FC$ ; wherefore the Incident Ray RP shall be refracted into PF. But because  $FV : FC :: 3 : 2$ ; therefore let FV be divided into three equal Parts, then shall FC be two of those Parts, and CV will be one; but CV is the Radius, therefore FC will be a Diameter; consequently FV will be distant from V,  $3CV$  or 3 Semidiameters.



P R O P. IX.

*To calculate accurately the Focal Distance of Parallel Rays, refracted out of Air by the Spherical Convex Superficies of a Glass Lens.*



**L**ET AB be an Object, from which a Ray of Light AC proceeds parallel to the Axis of the Sphere FB, and impinges on the Convex Superficies of Glass in the Point C, from whence it is refracted to the Point F. Suppose the Angle of Incidence  $ACP = 42^\circ$ , then it will be  $17 : 11 :: \text{Sine of } 42^\circ : \text{Sine of } 25^\circ 30' = ECF$ , the Angle of Refraction, let the Height of the Object  $AB = CD$ , be 12 Inches, then say,

*On the Sector.*

As = Sine of ACP or VEC,  $42^\circ$  :  $\parallel$  DC or AB 12;  
 :: So = Radius :  $\parallel$  EC,  $18\frac{1}{4}$  Inches for the Semidi-  
 ameter.

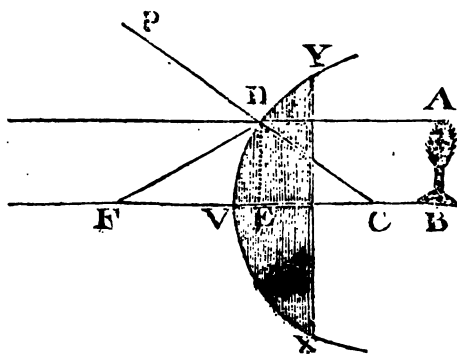
*Say again,*

As = Sine of CFE  $16^\circ 30'$  : = Sine of FCE  $25^\circ 30'$ ;  
 :: So  $\parallel$  EC  $18\frac{1}{4}$  :  $\parallel$  EF  $27\frac{1}{2}$  Inches.

But FE + CE (=EV) = FV =  $45\frac{1}{4}$  Inches, the  
 Distance of the Focus F from the Vertex of the Su-  
 perficies V, as was to be found. Hence it appears  
 that the Parallel Rays must be very near the Axis  
 indeed, that their Focus may be the Distance of three  
 Semidiameters from the Vertex V, according to the  
 last Proposition.

### P R O P. X.

*To calculate the Focal Distance of Parallel Rays  
 falling on the Plane Surface of a Plano-con-  
 vex Glass Lens.*



**L**ET AD be a Ray falling perpendicularly on  
 the Plane Surface of the Lens YX, where it  
 will suffer no Refraction in passing the Glass Medium,  
 till it arrives to the Concave Surface at D, where it is  
 refracted into the Air in the Direction DF, to the  
 Focus

Focus in F. Now  $FD : FC :: \text{Sine of } FCD = ADC : \text{Sine of } PDF$ ; that is, as the Sine of the Incidence to the Sine of Refraction, out of Glass into Air. Then supposing the Height of the Object  $AB$  12 Inches, and the Incidence  $ADC = 35^\circ 30'$ , then the Angle of Refraction  $PDF$  will be about  $66^\circ 30'$ , then to find  $VC$ , and  $FC$ ;

*Say by the Sector;*

$As = \text{Sine of } DCV \ 35^\circ 30' : \parallel AB \text{ or } DE \ 12;$   
 $:: So = \text{Radius} : \parallel CD \text{ or } CV \ 20\frac{1}{2},$  for the Semidiameter.

*Again for FV, say;*

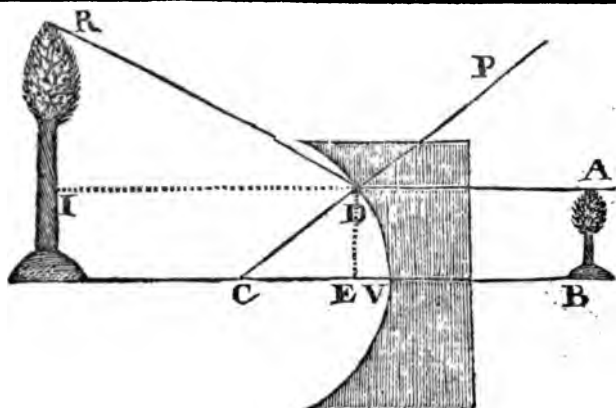
$As = \text{Sine of } DFC \ 31^\circ : \parallel DC \ 20\frac{1}{2} \text{ Inches};$   
 $:: So = \text{Sine of } PDF \ 66^\circ 30' : \parallel FC \ 36\frac{1}{4} \text{ Inches}.$

But  $FC - VC = FV = 16$  Inches, the Focal Distance required. Hence the Focus of those Rays falling very near the Axis, will be distant from  $V$  about the Diameter of the Sphere. The Converse of this Proposition is easy to be understood.

## P R O P. XI.

**T**HE Effect of Plano-concave Glasses, is contrary to that of Plano-convex ones; as they converge the Rays, these dilate them; and in the same Proportion that the Images of Objects are diminished in them, they are increased or enlarged by these. The Proportion which, or Distances at which (from the Point of Incidence  $D$ ) the Bulk of any Object is increased, is thus computed.

Suppose the Height of the Object  $AB = 12$  Inches, and the Angle of Incidence  $ADP = PCB$ , be  $35^\circ 30'$ , as before; then the Angle of Refraction into the Air will be  $66^\circ 30' = CDR$ , and the Difference of these Angles, will be the Angle  $RDI$ , (by which the Images of Objects are increased in these Sort of Lenses) this Angle is 31 Degrees; and therefore suppose it were required to know how large the Object  $AB$  will appear



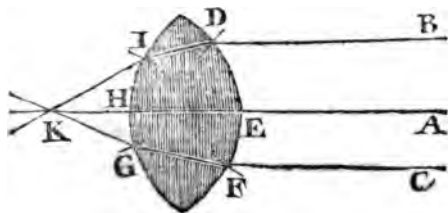
appear at the Distance DI, from the Point of Incidence, *viz.* 3 Foot, or 36 Inches, say,

As = Sine of  $IR D 59^\circ : \parallel ID 36$  Inches.

$\therefore$  So = Sine of  $ID R 31^\circ : \parallel IR 22$  Inches; and therefore such is the enlargement of the Object; to which add  $IS = AB$  its real Altitude, the Sum is  $SR = 34$  Inches, the apparent Length of the dilated Object, at the given Distance, as required.

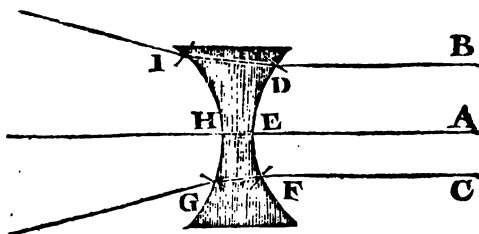
#### P R O P. XII.

**I**N a Convex Lens, the parallel Rays B, C, are refracted at twice (first, thro' the Glas from D, F, to I, G; and then again into the Air from I, G,) to the Point or Focus K; the same is affirmed of Rays which proceed from one Point only of the Object.



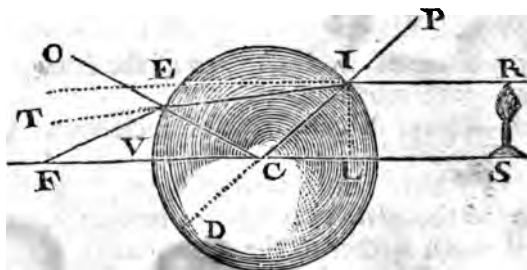
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The direct contrary is effected by a Concave Lense; for therein after two Refractions at D, F, and I, G, the Rays aforesaid diverge and are disperfed, as the other were conveyed and collected in one Point.



P R O P. XIII.

*To calculate the Distance of the Focus F of Parallel Rays refracted thro' a Sphere or Globe of Glass, from the Vertical Point V, or Center C of the Sphere.*



**S**UPPOSE IDE a Sphere of Glass; R a Ray of Light parallel to its Axis LV, and incident in the Point I, in an Angle PIR of  $42^\circ$ ; RS any Object 12 Inches high. Then as 17 : 11 :: Sine of Incidence PIR  $42^\circ$  : Sine of Refraction CIE  $25^\circ 30'$ . But because of the Isosceles Triangle ICE, the Angle CIE = CEI; again, the Angle DCE = CIE + CEI =  $51^\circ$ ; but LCV = ICL, = PIR =  $42^\circ$ ; therefore the Angle

gle  $DCE - DCV = VCE = 9^\circ$ . Now because the Angle  $CEI = TEO$ , is the Angle of Incidence of the refracted Ray  $IE$ ; therefore as  $11 : 17 :: \text{Sine of } TEO : \text{Sine of } EF = 42^\circ$ ; that is the Refraction out of Glass into Air, will always be equal to the first Angle of Incidence  $RIP$ . Therefore  $180^\circ - OEF (42^\circ) = 138^\circ$ . And thus in the Oblique Triangle  $FEC$ , all the Angles are known, and the Side  $CE$  (being the Semidiameter of the Sphere) will in this Case be  $18\frac{1}{4}$  Inches, by *Prop. IX*. Wherefore to find the Side  $CF$ ,

*Say thus by the Sector,*

As  $= \text{Sine of } CFE, 33^\circ : \parallel CE, 18\frac{1}{4} \text{ Inches},$   
 $: : \text{So} = \text{Sine of } OEF, 42^\circ : \parallel CF, 22\frac{1}{2} \text{ Inches}.$

Now  $CF - CV = VF = 4\frac{1}{4}$  Inches, as was required.

And in all Incidences whatsoever, it will be,

The Semidiameter of the Sphere  $CE$ ,

Is to the Distance of the Focus  $F$  from the Center  $C$ , *viz.*  $CF$ ;

As the Sine of the Difference of the double Angles of Incidence and Refraction,

To the Sine of the Angle of Incidence.

Thus I have finished what I design of the *Trigonometrical Calculations in Optics*; I might have advanced it much farther in the consideration of *Oblique Rays*, as well as parallel ones; but I have already overshot my Mark; and therefore shall stop here; having done more this way than I have seen done by any other; and shall leave the Remainder to the Learner's own Improvement.

## C H A P. X.

*Plain Trigonometry applied to Perspective; shewing how to delineate Objects, as they appear to the Sight; and to find the Proportion of the visible and real Magnitudes of distant Objects by Calculation.*

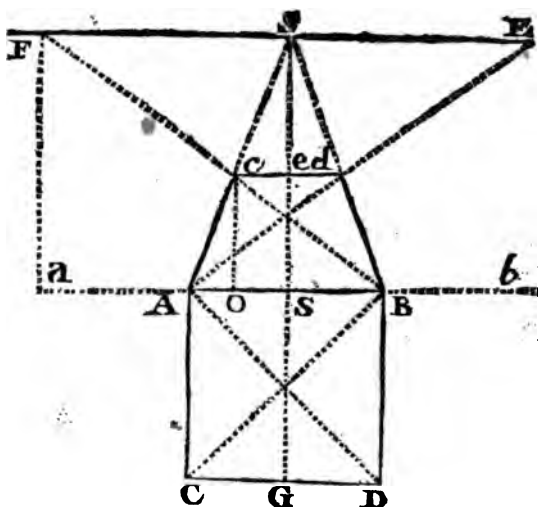
**T**HE Art of Perspective is exceeding curious and delightful to all Persons who have any Notion or Taste of the Liberal Arts and Sciences, and is not only useful but indispensibly necessary for several Artificers, as Limners, Designers, Architects, &c. and it is therefore very much to be wonder'd at, that is no more common and cultivated than it is.

What I design here is not to give the Reader a Treatise of the Art in general, but only to give the young Student an Example or two of the Perspective Delineation of remote Objects; and also how the same Thing may be done by Trigonometrical Calculation; and how the Proportion of the visible and real Magnitude of Objects is to be determined by Sines and Tangents. [*Prop. I. by Perspective.*] In the first Place let it be required to delineate the Appearance of the Square ABCD, in a direct View to an Eye at the Height of 6 Feet above it, and at the Distance of 30 Feet, according to the Rules of Perspective.

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I. Let





I. Let ABCD be the given Square, each of whose Sides is 4 Feet or 48 Inches; and it is required to find its Perspective Delineation for the aforelaid given Height and Distance of the Eye.

II. In order to do this, by the Rules of Perspective, draw the Base or Ground Line *a b*; this represents the Surface of the Earth or Ground on which we stand to view the Object ABCD. This Line is always fixed.

III. Draw the Visual or Horizontal Line FE, in which the Point S, called the Point of Sight, is always found, because it represents that Line which passeth thro' the Eye of the Beholder parallel to the Horizon; and therefore must be drawn equal to the Height of the Eye above the Ground, *viz.* 6 Feet, = *Ss*.

IV. From S set off both ways the Distance of the Eye from the Object, *viz.* 30 Feet = SF or SE; and for this Reason the two Points F, E, are called, the *Points of Distance*.

V. Draw

- V. Draw up the Radial Lines AS and BS.  
 VI. Then draw the Diagonals FB and AE;  
 VII. *Lastly*, Join the Points of Interfection of the Radials and Diagonals c and d; then shall AcdB be the Perspective Appearance of the Square, as required

## P R O P. II.

*To find the same Perspective Appearance of the Square by Trigonometry.*

I. **I**N order to this we must find the Dimunition and Position of the Sides or Lines Ac, cd, dB, and Se, or cO, and the Business will be done; thus,

II. In the Right-angled Triangle ASs, there's given the two Sides  $Ss=6$ , and  $As=2$ ; to find the Angles.

*By the Sector, say;*

$As \parallel Ss, 6, : = \text{Tangent Radius.}$

$:: \text{So } As, 2, : = \text{Tangent of ASs } 18^\circ 15'.$

III. In the Right-angled Triangle FaB, there is known the Side Fa ( $=Ss$ )  $=6$ , and the Side aB ( $=FS+sB$ )  $=32$ , to find the Angles; *say*,

$As \parallel Ba, 32, : = \text{Tangent Radius,}$

$:: \text{So } Fa, 6, : = \text{Tangent of FBa, } 10^\circ 40'.$

IV. In the Oblique Triangle AcB, there are known all the Angles, by the two last Operations, and the Side AB $=4$ ; to find the other two Sides Ac, and cB, *say*,

$As = \text{Sine of ScB, } 82^\circ 25', : \parallel AB, 4 \text{ Feet;}$

$:: \text{So} = \text{Sine of cBA, } 10^\circ 40' : \parallel Ac, 0, 75 \text{ of a Foot;}$

$:: \text{So} = \text{Sine of BAc, } 71^\circ 45' : \parallel Bc, 3.83 \text{ Foot.}$

V. In the Right-angled Triangle AOc, there are known the Side Ac=c.75, and the Angles, to find the other two Sides AO, and Oc, thus;

As=Radius : || Ac, 0.75 of a Foot, or 9 Inches,  
:: So=Sine of OAc  $71^{\circ} 45'$ , : || Oc,  $8\frac{1}{2}$  Inches.

:: So=Sine of AcO  $18^{\circ} 15'$  : || AO 2.85 Inches.

But sA-- AO=SO=cc=21.15 Inches and 2cc=cd=42.3 Inches.

VI. Thus have you obtain'd by Calculation, the Position and Quantity of each Side or Line in the Perspective or apparent Square; which compared with the real Magnitudes, the Difference or Diminution will the better appear thus, in Inches, and Decimal Parts.

|              | Real Mag. | Persp. Mag. | Diminution. |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| The Front    | AB=48     | AB=48       | 0.00        |
| The Side     | AC=48     | Ac=9        | 37.00       |
| The Diagonal | AD=68     | Ad=46       | 22.00       |
| The Side     | CD=48     | cd=42.3     | 5.7         |
| Middle Line  | sG=48     | Sc=8.5      | 39.5        |

And such are the Dimensions and the Differences of a Geometrical and Perspective Square on the Conditions above given, in a direct View: In the next Place let us see the Difference and Alteration made by an *Oblique View*.

### P R O P. III.

*To represent the afore-mentioned Square perspectively in an Oblique View.*

LET ABCD be the Square, as before, to be put into Perspective obliquely; and let the Angle AsS be the Obliquity of the View, which suppose to be



II. Then in Right Triangle  $a s S$ , there are known all the Angles and the Side  $aS=6$ ; to find the Side  $a s$ , say;

$As = \text{Tangent Radius} : || aS, 6 \text{ Feet.}$

So  $\approx \text{Tangent of } aSs, 30^\circ, || a s, 3.5 \text{ Feet; hence}$   
 $aA = 1.5.$

So  $= \text{Secant of } aSs, 30^\circ, || Ss, 7.1 \text{ Feet.}$

. III. In the Right Triangle  $Aas$ , there is given the Side  $aA=1.5$ , and the Side  $aS=6$ , to find  $om$  Angles, and the Side  $SA$ , say thus;

$As || aS, 6 : = \text{Tangent Radius.}$

So  $|| aA 1.5 : = \text{Tangent of } aSA, 13^\circ 50'.$

*Then say,*

$As = \text{Sine of } aSA 13^\circ 50' : || aA 1.5 \text{ Feet.}$

So  $\text{Radius} : || SA, 6.2 \text{ Feet.}$

IV. Again, in the Right Triangle  $BOF$ , there is given the Side  $BO=6$ , and the Side  $FO=30+5.5=35.5$ ; to find the Angle  $BFO$ , say thus;

$As || FO, 35.5 : \text{Tangent Radius.}$

So  $|| BO 6 : = \text{Tangent of } BFO, 9^\circ 35' = ABc.$

V. In the next Place, in the Oblique Triangle  $AcB$ , there are known all the Angles, and the Side  $AB=4$ ; to find the other two Sides  $Ac$ , and  $cB$ , say thus;

$As - \text{Sine } AcB, 66^\circ 35' : || AB, 4 \text{ Feet, or } 48 \text{ Inches.}$

So  $= \text{Sine } cBA, 9^\circ 35', : || Ac, 0.74 \text{ Feet, or } 8.88 \text{ Inches.}$

So  $= \text{Sine } aAS, 76^\circ 10' : || Bc, 4.25 \text{ Feet, or } 51 \text{ Inches.}$

VI. Then because of Similar Triangles  $ASB$  and  $cSd$ , it will be as  $AS=6.2 : AB=4 : Sc=5.46$

$: cd=3.36 \text{ Feet, and } AS=6.2 : Ss=7.1 : Sc=5.46$   
 $: Sc$

$\therefore Sc=6.25$ . But  $Ss=Sc=sc=0.85$  Foot, or 10.1 Inches. Also, as  $cd=1.68 : sB=2 :: Sc=0.85 : Bd=1.02$  Foot.

VII. *Lastly*, In the Oblique Triangle  $Ac d$ , there is known the Side  $Ac=0.74$ ; the Side  $cd=3.36$ ; and the included Angle  $Ac d=cAa=76^{\circ}.10'$ ; thence the Side  $Ad$  will be found 3.25. And thus are all the Sides and their Positions found in the Perspective Square.

These with respect to their Originals in the Geometrical Square, stand thus (with the Diminution of each respectively) in Inches.

|                | Real Mag. | Persp. Mag. | Diminutions |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| The Front Line | $AB=48$   | $AB=48$     | 00.00       |
| The Side       | $AC=48$   | $Ac=8.9$    | 39.10       |
| The Side       | $BD=48$   | $Bd=12.24$  | 35.76       |
| The Side       | $CD=48$   | $cd=40.22$  | 7.78        |
| The Line       | $Gs=48$   | $sc=10$     | 38.00       |
| The Diagonal   | $AD=68$   | $Ad=39$     | 29.00       |
| The Diagonal   | $BC=68$   | $Bc=51$     | 17.00       |

Thus the young Trigonometer may at his Pleasure find by the Rules of his Art, the true Dimensions, Proportions, and Diminutions of the several Lines or Parts of the Perspective Appearance of a Square in a direct and *Oblique View*; and that to a Mathematical Exactness and Nicety.

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I have given this Example or two in Perspective, only because the young Artist may be the better apprized of the extensive Use of this excellent Art, and that it may be applied to answer several both curious and useful Purposes in this delightful Art of Perspective; and I have the rather done this, because I have not seen it thus applied by any other Hand.

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